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EUROPE.

The Alleged Russo-Prussian Alliance Defensive and Offensive.

Nothing Known of It by the British Government.

Fontainebleau or Versailles as the Seat of Government.

The Paris National Guard to Surrender Their Cannon.

Defenses and Effective Military Force of the Canadians.

THE SECRET TREATY.

Alleged Stipulations—Russia to Join Prussia in Case of a Combination in Favor of France.

LONDON, March 9.—The *Morning Post* affirms that a secret treaty between Russia and Prussia was concluded about the time of the outbreak of the war, and says the following were among its provisions:

Russia was to intervene between the belligerents in case the French were successful, and should menace Poland.

In the event that an Austrian Army should concentrate upon the Prussian frontier, Russia was to checkmate it by a demonstration upon the Austrian frontier; and

In case any European Power should combine with France, Russia was to join Prussia.

THE FRENCH ASSEMBLY.

Debate on the Removal—Fontainebleau Recommended by the Committee—The Government Opposed—Thiers Favors Versailles—A Present from Napoleon on the Slender Vote of Servitude.

BORDEAUX, March 9.—In the Assembly today the Committee on Removal made a report. They recommend that the Assembly ultimately remove to Fontainebleau, but that it continue to sit at Bordeaux until the German troops have left France and arrangements for the installation of the Assembly at Fontainebleau are completed.

M. THIERS stated that the Government coincided in its opinion that Versailles would be the best place for the seat of the Assembly.

Debate on this point was postponed until to-morrow. It is expected that the recommendation of the Government will prevail.

LONDON, March 9.—NAPOLEON has addressed a communication to the President of the French Assembly, protesting against the vote by which that body declared that his dynasty had forfeited the throne, as unjust and illegal. The Assembly, he says, was created only to make peace, and has exceeded its powers. The foundation of all public right is the *plebiscite*; to that he is ready to bow, and to that alone.

PARIS.

The Guards to Give Up Their Cannon Without Coercion—Attitude of the Government—Gen. De Pallikaos—An Unimportant Disturbance on Wednesday—Cattle Disease.

PARIS, March 9.—The Mayors of all the arrondissements of Paris have unanimously guaranteed that the National Guard will surrender the cannon in their possession without coercion.

It is thought that when they resign their seats in the Assembly the Parisian Deputies will return to Paris, and that agitation will then cease.

The Government maintains a conciliatory attitude toward the disturbers in Paris.

Upward of a hundred battalions of the National Guard have congratulated Gen. DE PALLIKAOS upon his accession to their command.

LONDON, March 9.—A disturbance occurred on Wednesday among some battalions of Paris Mobile Guards, but was quelled without serious consequences.

There is much typhoid and plague among the cattle and horses in Paris. The animals are nevertheless said to be fit for food.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Germans Leaving Central France—Postal Communication—Mourning French Soldiers—Affairs at Dieppe—Bismarck in Berlin.

LONDON, March 9.—The Prussians have evacuated the Department of Calvados and the left bank of the River Eure.

Postal service to Rouen is restored.

A transport fleet is going to the Elbe to convey 20,000 released prisoners home to France.

A dispatch from Dieppe says the Mayor has notified the Prussians that they must feed the private soldiers of the late Army of the North. The inhabitants are at the same time ordered to entertain the officers. Food is plenty at Dieppe, and business shows signs of life.

BERLIN, March 9.—Count VON BISMARCK has arrived in this city.

Plenipotentiaries for the Final Peace—The French Press on Affairs.

PARIS, March 9.—Baron BAUDE, Gen. CHALLE and M. M. DE MOULARD and DE CLERQ have been appointed Plenipotentiaries of France to negotiate a final treaty of peace with Prussia.

The Duke DE NOAILLES has been appointed French Ambassador to St. Petersburg, and the Count DE NOGUE Minister to Constantinople.

An article in the *Journal Officiel* declares in favor of the Republic as the definitive form of government for France, and urges the people not to disturb order, for the sole hope of France is tranquility.

The *Rédacteur* of Lelle protests against a petition in circulation among the French officers in Germany, demanding a *plebiscite* to decide the future form of Government.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Secret Treaty Between Russia and Prussia—Clemency to Fenians Demanded—Canadian Defenses—Army Reorganization.

LONDON, March 9.—In the House of Lords, this evening, Earl GRANVILLE made a statement, in which he denied that the Government had any knowledge of a secret treaty concluded between the Czar and Prussia before the war.

Lord GREY asked that a return be made of the names of the Fenian convicts freed since August last, with the conditions of their release. He argued to show the pernicious effect of the clemency of the Government in these cases.

Lords DUFFERIN and CAIRNS followed in a lively debate.

The Chancellor defended the release of the Fenian convicts, and the Duke of RICHMOND denounced it as a weak and unwise act.

In the House of Commons, Mr. HUGESSON, Under Secretary for the Colonial Department, said £3,000 would be required to complete the defenses of Quebec, and the Canadian militia force now numbers 40,000 effective men.

Lord ELCHO condemned the Government plan for reconstructing the army as a crude development of the old system, and defended the purchase of commissions.

During the debate on army reorganization, vehement protests were made against the abolition of the purchase system by members, who predicted endless evil thereby.

Gen. Sir HENRY STRACHEY argued ably in favor of abolition.

The Russian Loan Imperiled by the Eastern Question—Arrival of Mr. Odo Russell.

LONDON, March 9.—It is rumored that the Prussian loan introduced by ROTHSCHILD will be withdrawn, because the Conference is still sitting, and, also, it is intimated, because there are fears that the loan may not be successful in this market.

ODO RUSSELL returned to London yesterday, from Versailles, and will attend a special meeting of the Cabinet to-morrow.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

The Duke of Montpensier Ordered Out of Spain—The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce on Private Property at Sea.

LONDON, March 9.—The Times of today has a letter from Madrid, which announces that the Spanish Government has ordered the Duke of Montpensier to proceed to the Island of Minorca, because he refuses to take the military oaths to support King AMADEUS.

ANTWERP, March 9.—The Chamber of Commerce of this city has adopted a memorial to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Belgium, requesting him to make an effort to embody in the code of international law the proposition of the inviolability of the property of private individuals at sea, and to obtain from the Powers an authoritative definition of the term contraband of war.

Explosion at Le Creusot in France—Eight Lives Lost.

LONDON, March 9.—An explosion has occurred in the works at Le Creusot, France, by which eight persons lost their lives.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

ARRIVAL OF THE YAZOO AT PHILADELPHIA.

Writing from Havana under date of March 4, and mailing his letter by the *Yazoo*, which reached Philadelphia yesterday, our correspondent, "Quasimodo," transmits to us the following summary of war news: "The railroad line from Puerto Principe to Nuevitas is guarded by forts erected at intervals of from four to five miles. Near Puerto Principe is the Colon Fort, or, as it is generally called, Fort Piste, built of ordinary pine boards and defended by twenty-five men. On the morning of the 20th, at daylight, this fort was attacked by the combined forces of MADRIMALEN, ARGAMONTE, ESPINOSA and MENDOKA; the sentry was killed, and the Cuban bullets did not leave a man untouched. But, although all the Spaniards were wounded, they defended their miserable barrack against 400 enemies, the Cubans withdrawing from the attack at about 9 in the morning. Of the twenty-five men guarding the fort fourteen were killed, seven severely wounded, and the remaining four were also wounded, but are expected to recover. The *Voz de Cuba* has opened a subscription for the benefit of the survivors. A convoy of provisions, guarded by 207 men of the battalion of Reay, left Santiago de Cuba for Mayari on the 22d. Nothing occurred during the first day, but on the second day, when the convoy had reached a place called El Pilote, where the Cuban General, DONATO DEL MARMOL, was killed some months ago, and when within a hundred yards of the identical spot, while the troops were marching along carefully, the rear-guard at least one thousand yards behind, a sudden rumbling was heard, and heavy boulders and numerous trees placed, in a moment, an insurmountable barrier between the centre and the rear of the Spanish convoy. Meanwhile, volleys were poured into the troops from the hills and from rude intrenchments erected within a few yards of the roadside. The Cubans numbered 1[illegible] men, and according to a Spanish soldier the Spaniards had about 150, commanded by MAXIMO GOMEZ in person. The rear-guard, composed of sixty men, broke and fled in utter confusion, their Captain being killed at the first fire and the Lieutenant severely wounded. The largest portion of the train was saved by the Spaniards, as the Cubans pursued the flying soldiers of the rear-guard. According to an official Spanish telegram, but fifteen men and the Captain are missing, (i. e., killed,) and the statement may be correct; but if the accounts can be relied on, the Spaniards must have lost at least forty men. Twenty-three men of the rear-guard arrived at Santiago de Cuba late the next day, and explained the reason of their defeat by averring that their ammunition had given out. A remarkable change in the manner of fighting by the Spanish troops since the beginning of the war may be noticed here; formerly the journals were filled with bayonet attacks, where half a dozen or twenty soldiers attacked an entire insurgent camp and earned it at the point of the bayonet. Nothing ever withstood these bayonet charges, but as they have gone out of fashion the soldiers at El Piloto could not very well attack MODESTO DIAZ in that way.... Gen. FERRER at Las Tunas organized a force of nearly fifteen hundred men and made a combined movement against the Cuban forces, which, until lately, had things their own way in his neighborhood. The latter stood their ground and paid dearly for it, losing fifty-three men killed, while the Spaniards lost twenty-one. While these movements were going on, a portion of the artillery battalion killed three men belonging to EATON's band, and the column of VALMEO, which failed to join the combination, having had to fight its way to the rendezvous, killed six insurgents and lost three men. The failure of VALMEO to reach the spot prevented a more successful issue of FERRER's plan, and he is now organizing for another grand battue.... The official report from the Central Department announces that fifty-two insurgents had been killed during the past fifteen days, and that 4,718 persons of all ages, sexes and colors had surrendered to the Spaniards, seeking shelter in the towns, having become tired of 'roughing it' in the bush. One hundred and sixty-one only of this number were armed men; but 812 were men able to carry arms; 1,306 were white males unable to carry arms; 1,282 white females; 1,029 colored persons, and 46 male slaves."

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 9.—Today the Conventional Interest bill allowing a contract rate of ten per cent, passed the lower House of the Legislature and awaits the signature of the Governor to become law.

WASHINGTON.

Lively Debate and Determined Action for a Repeal of Duties on Coal and Salt—The Question of Dealing with Kuklux Outrages—A New Bill for the Suppression of Insurrection Outrages Upon Colored Mail Agents—Illustrations for Patent Office Reports—Naval Rights—Early Adjournment.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—It was decidedly refreshing today to see the House proceed regularly, and without being tied up by the operation of the rules, to the work of taking off the duty on salt and coal. At the late session both these propositions were so embarrassed by the state of other business that it was only under exceptional circumstances that action could be had upon either. The repeal of the coal duty was carried one day by a suspension of the rules, under a sympathetic pressure engendered by the condition of things in New-York. Today the docket was clear. There was nothing to prevent the reference of Mr. Hale's bill to repeal the duty on salt to the Committee of the Whole, where the House resolutely followed it, voting down all dilatory motions by a uniform majority of about thirty-five, showing conclusively that in this House the revenue reform and moderate tariff men can carry every reasonable measure that is proposed. Notwithstanding the fact that eighteen Democrats voted today with the high tariff men, the first vote on going into Committee of the Whole was 112 to 73. Mr. Hale then moved that the Committee rise, so that he might move to close all general debate. This was agreed to—69 to 71. He then moved that all general debate be closed in one minute, which was agreed to—90 to 61. The House then voted to go into Committee again by 106 to 70. A sharp, able and instructive debate then took place, which involved the whole question of the duty on salt and coal, and the production of both. Mr. FARNSWORTH moved an amendment to Mr. HALE's bill adding coal to the free list, but it was subsequently withdrawn, in order not to embarrass the salt question. The repeal of duty on both salt and coal was advocated by Messrs. Hale, Cox, Wood, Finkelnburg, Eldredge, Butler, Farnsworth, and Peters, while it was opposed by Kelley, and Dickey of Pennsylvania, Ritchie and Swann of Maryland, and others. Finally, at 4 o'clock, a vote was had on Mr. Kelley's amendment, to reduce the duty from twenty-four cents per 100 pounds in sacks and eighteen cents per 100 pounds in bulk, to eighteen cents and twelve cents, respectively. This was beaten on a division by a large majority. Pending a vote on further amendments the Committee rose, and the House adjourned. The consideration of the bill will proceed again to-morrow. On the last vote to go into Committee of the Whole the following eighteen Democrats voted nay, from sympathetic sentiment: Messrs. Archer, Merrick, Ritchie and Swann, bituminous coal, Maryland; Hots and Randall, anthracite coal, Pennsylvania; Griffith, McClelland, Sherwood and Speer of Pennsylvania, bituminous coal; Leach and Waddell of North Carolina, bituminous coal; Sutherland of Michigan, Saginaw salt; Rogers of New-York, coal and iron; Holman and Manson of Indiana, and Kendall of Nevada.

DEALING WITH KUKLUX OUTRAGES.

Just after the adjournment to-night a notice was read from the Clerk's desk in the House, signed by several members, that there would be a caucus to-night. This was understood to be in pursuance of the intention of Gen. BUTLER to get a committal from the Republican members in regard to Kuklux legislation. Scarcely half of the Republicans assembled, however, and these were mostly new members. BUTLER proposed that the Republicans should bind themselves to act upon no legislation except upon such a bill for the repression of Kuklux disorders as should be drafted by a committee of five, to be appointed to-night, to report to a caucus to-morrow night. This looked much like an attempt to get the House committed to the Butler-Cobb measure of last session, that several members, among them Messrs. CONURN, SHANKS and FRELINGHUYSEN, declared that they would not be bound by it. There was such a want of unanimity that the caucus could not agree upon anything, and adjourned without action. Hon. SAMUEL SHELLABARGER, this afternoon, introduced a bill, foreshadowed in these dispatches of last night, which strikes many Republicans as the most practical measure which can be adopted on this subject, if the question of constitutionality can be favorably settled. The bill is based upon the power conferred in the fourteenth article of the Constitution, and is as follows:

Be it enacted, &c., That in all cases of insurrection or obstruction to the laws, either of the United States or of any individual State or Territory, by combinations too powerful to be suppressed by the ordinary course of judicial proceedings, and in all cases where the constituted authorities of any such State or Territory shall fail or refuse to so execute the laws thereof as to secure to all persons the equal protection of the laws, it shall be lawful for the President of the United States to employ such part of the land and naval forces of the United States as shall be judged necessary to suppress such combinations and to cause the laws to be duly executed, and this although the Legislature and Executive of any such States may omit or refuse to call for such forces.

SUMNER'S EQUAL RIGHTS BILL AGAIN.

The Senate was in session little more than half an hour today, and the introduction of a few bills was almost the only business. Mr. SUMNER introduced, for the third time, his bill to secure equal rights for colored persons in cars, hotels, places of amusement, &c., and gave notice that he should use every effort in his power to secure a vote before the adjournment of this session. During the last Congress this bill was twice adversely reported by the Judiciary Committee, and Mr. SUMNER will now ask its reference to some other Committee. The Senate seemed disinclined to undertake any business, the caucus and the questions in dispute before it being all-absorbing.

ILLUSTRATING THE PATENT OFFICE REPORTS.

Mr. ANTHONY introduced a bill in the Senate today the design of which is to allow the lithographic work necessary under the new plan of publishing the Patent Office Reports to be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Patents in the Patent Office. There are some objections to this proposition, but the reasons for its adoption are also very strong. The work can be as well done in the office, and more economically, it is claimed, than by contract, and the cost of the outfit is not great. But the strongest reason for having this part of the report prepared in the office is that it done by contract elsewhere, on an average, three hundred or more of the original drawings must be away from the office, liable to the casualties incident to transportation and to fire, and, besides, there would be the annoyance and trouble caused the office by these drawings being beyond its reach for consultation. The destruction of a set of drawings would entail on an inventor great expense and delay, and might, in some cases, destroy the entire worth of his invention. The new form of reports agreed on is not very popular among the patrons of the Patent Office, but they would be better served if drawings of particular patents should be ordered direct from the office without delay, than if it were necessary for the order to go from here to New-York to be filled.

OUTRAGES UPON MAIL AGENTS IN THE SOUTH.

The action of the Post-office Department in discontinuing the mail service on the Louisville, Frankfort and Lexington Railroad is attracting much comment, and the circumstances connected with the outrages which have led to it, as well as similar outrages in other States, become interesting. It is only a few months since a mail agent in the service of the Post-office Department running on the railroad between Meridian, Miss., and Selma, Ala., was murdered in cold blood while in the discharge of the duties of his position. He left Meridian with the mail on the afternoon of the 24 November last, and when the train stopped for wood, about fifteen miles out, near the Alabama State line, a man walked up from the woods, masked, with gun in hand, and deliberately fired upon him, killing him instantly. The agent's name was DIGGS. He was a good man, quiet, unobtrusive, and a faithful and efficient officer, and the only apparent cause of the outrage was that the victim was a colored man and a Government official. More recently, about the 24th of January last, a colored man named W. H. GIBSON, who had been employed for several months as mail agent on the Lebanon Branch Railroad, between Louisville and Mount Vernon, Ky., was transferred, by direction of the Post-office Department, to the Louisville and Lexington Railroad, and made two trips without molestation, but on his third trip, on the 26th of January, returning from Lexington to Louisville, when the train halted at North Benson, thirty-eight miles from Lexington, and within nine miles of Frankfort, the State capital, where the Legislature was in session, a number of men appeared at the station, and as soon as the Postmaster and the agent had exchanged mails, and the agent was about to close the door, a man prevented him by seizing the door, and jumped into the car. The agent stepped into his mail-room and attempted to fasten the inner door, which his assailant, a large and powerful man, prevented, and a struggle ensued, the man striking the agent a tremendous blow in the face, endeavoring to knock him down, but without success, and then trying to drag him out of the car, threatening to kill him, and ordering him to "Come out, come out." The agent resisted as best he could, and while the struggle continued the train started. The assailant then jumped out, and several shots were fired at the train. Application was subsequently made to the military authorities, and a guard of armed men obtained to accompany and protect the mails and agent, which continued on the line for some weeks. In the meantime a circular letter was prepared in the Department, and addressed to all the Postmasters on the route, referring to the attack on GIBSON, and to riotous demonstrations made the same day at other stations on the same road, in consequence of which the lives of agents were put in peril and the business of the Department seriously impeded, calling their attention to the act of Feb. 26, 1861, by which the Postmaster-General is empowered, whenever in his opinion the postal service cannot safely be continued on any post route, by reason of any cause whatever, to discontinue the postal service on such route till the same can be safely restored, and notifying them that unless due protection should be given to the agents chosen by the Department and the mails in their charge, the mails would be withdrawn from the route. It becoming apparent by subsequent information of undoubted reliability that the life of the agent, Gibson, would be in danger with or without the military guard, and a telegram having been received under date of the 24 inst. from Frankfort suggesting the necessity of doubling the guard on the mail-train the following day as trouble was apprehended, the Department on the 24 inst. discontinued the mail service on the entire route. There is no allegation from any quarter against the character or conduct or competency of the agent, GIBSON. His color appears to be the only ground of objection to him. Upon such a state of facts comment appears unnecessary.

THE PRESIDENT ON EARLY ADJOURNMENT.

So many efforts have been made to get the President committed to an extension of the present session of Congress that he, today, took occasion to inform Speaker BLAINE of his precise views on the matter. He thought that if Congress could pass a simple effective bill to aid in suppressing disorders at the South, it would be well to do it, but if there was danger that in so doing Congress would enter upon miscellaneous legislation, it better not remain even for that. He will send in no message on this subject.

THE BOWEN BIGAMY CASE.

The Grand Jury has found a true bill against CHRISTOPHER C. BOWEN, late member of Congress from South Carolina, for bigamy in marrying S. PETIGRU KING, in August last, while Mrs. FRANCIS HICKS BOWEN, whom he is alleged to have married in 1862, was living in Augusta, Ga. The day for trial has not been fixed, though the case will come up early during the present term of the Court.

THE SENATE COMMITTEES.

Caucus of Republican Senators—Mr. Sumner Deposed—The Vote For and Against Him—What He Intends to Do About It—Personnel of the Committees as Agreed Upon in Caucus.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—The sensation of the day has been the action of the Republican Senate caucus, in adopting the action of the Committee on Committees, yesterday, regarding the position of Senator SUMNER. The caucus, after two sessions today, sustained the action of the Committee by a vote of 36 to 11. The first meeting was begun soon after 10, and lasted until 12 o'clock, when the Senate met. Mr. SUMNER was present until about 11½. There was a great deal of discussion, but it was all conducted in a very kind manner toward Mr. SUMNER, Mr. WILSON was his most active, and Mr. SCHURZ his ablest defender. The latter began a long speech before 12 o'clock, and resumed and finished it when the caucus reassembled at 1 o'clock. Messrs. SHERMAN and MORRILL, of Vermont, spoke in his behalf. Senator HOWE opened the debate in behalf of the Committee, and was supported by NYE, CARPENTER, and EDMUNDS. CARPENTER made a telling speech in defense of the Committee's action. Mr. CONKLING did not participate in the debate at all. Finally, just before 5 o'clock, Mr. WILSON moved to recommit the report with instructions to restore Mr. SUMNER to his old position. This was beaten by a vote of 21 against 26. The report of the Committee was then agreed upon almost unanimously, Mr. TIPTON being the only Senator who expressed an intention of not being bound by the caucus. It is impossible to give the vote with absolute accuracy, and your correspondent therefore prefers not to print any of the lists which have been made out to-night purporting to give it completely, as he is certain that all of them will do injustice to one or more Senators. The San Domingo question will not be a guide for the vote, because several Senators who voted against the treaty voted to depose Mr. SUMNER, while at least two who supported the treaty voted in his favor. Among the Senators who voted to retain Mr. SUMNER were Boreman, Caldwell, Corbett, Cragin, Stewart, Ferry of Connecticut, Logan, Morrill of Vermont, Robertson, Shurz, Sherman, Savage, Spencer, Tipton, Trumbull, Wilson and Windom. Among those who voted for the report of the Committee, were Ames, Carpenter, Cole, Chandler, Conkling, Edmunds, Frelinghuysen, Hamlin, Harlan, Howe, Morton, Nye, Pomeroy, Pool, Ramsay, Scott, Stewart and West. Mr. ANTHONY, being Chairman of the caucus, did not vote; neither did Mr. CAMERON. Mr. BUCKINGHAM and Mr. PATTERSON were absent, and Mr. SUMNER did not go into the caucus in the afternoon. It is understood that Mr. MORTON could have been Chairman in Mr. SUMNER's place if he would have consented to step over Mr. CAMERON, who is his senior on the Committee. The slate thus agreed upon in caucus will be moved for adoption in the Senate to-morrow, but as a single objection will probably carry it over, Mr. TIPTON or Mr. SUMNER, or some Democrat will probably make the objection.

It is now believed that the tremendous speech with which Mr. SUMNER has been charged for weeks will be made at once. He was understood to be touching it up this afternoon, and there is no doubt but that on the first opportunity he will vindicate the necessity of the action of the Republican Senators today. The story is started at once, of course, that Mr. SUMNER is deposed because of his hostility to the San Domingo Treaty. That subject ceased weeks ago to be considered in connection with Mr. SUMNER's conduct. Much as his conduct and language deserved rebuke in December last, his conduct since, if a tithe of the statements of some of his best friends be true, is far more deserving of censure. He declares indiscriminately to his visitors that GRANT ought to be impeached and will be impeached, and a few nights since at a dinner, where were present the representatives of foreign Governments, he met the mention of the President's name for renomination with a similar declaration, in language so strong that the whole table was startled. He is known to have filled his forthcoming speech with expressions toward the President of a disrespectful and insulting character, and these he has read to Senators and others who have called upon him. He has ceased to have any relations with the Secretary of State, though Mr. FISH has ever been kind and charitable in his treatment of him, and has gone beyond the requirements of official etiquette in consulting him. It is all these things, and many more, which make the vote stronger now against Mr. SUMNER than it was last December, even after that well-remembered speech, and it is no unusual thing, either, to change a Chairman of committee. Were it any other man than Mr. SUMNER it would not be remembered a day. In the Thirty-seventh Congress, during Mr. LINCOLN's first term, Hon. JOHN P. HALE, who was then Chairman of the Naval Committee of the Senate, got into a quarrel with Secretary WELLES. Though his relations with the President continued friendly, the Republican Senators at once deposed him from the head of the Naval Committee, and put Senator GRIMES over him. It has been asserted that the President dictated and demanded this change on personal grounds. His declarations to those who approached him on the subject utterly disprove the charge. When spoken to he stated promptly that so far as the matter was personal to him, he desired no action whatever; that the Committee must do only what they thought the public interests seemed to require, that they were as competent to judge of that as he was, and they must act upon their own views as to what course of conduct the situation demanded. It is understood that Mr. SUMNER declines the position of Chairman of the new Committee on Privileges and Elections, and that he will not serve on the Foreign Relations, except in his old position.

THE PROPOSED NEW COMMITTEES.

The list of committees, as adopted today, is as follows, and will be formally presented and voted on in the Senate to-morrow:

On Foreign Relations—Messrs. Cameron (Chairman,) Harlan, Morton, Patterson, Schurz, Hamlin, and Cassady.

On Privileges and Elections—Messrs. Sumner, (Chairman,) Stewart, Morton, Rice, Hamlin, Hill, and Thurman.

On Finance—Messrs. Sherman, (Chairman,) Morrill of Vermont, Fenton, Scott, Ames, Wright, and Bayard.

On Appropriations—Messrs. Cole, (Chairman,) Sprague, Sawyer, Edmunds, Windom, West, and Stevenson.

On Commerce—Messrs. Chandler, (Chairman,) Corbett, Kellogg, Spencer, Buckingham, Conkling and Vickers.

On Manufactures—Messrs. Hamlin, (Chairman,) Robertson, Gilbert, and a vacancy to be filled by the Democrats.

On Agriculture—Messrs. Morton, (Chairman,) Cameron, Robertson, Tipton and Davis.

On Military Affairs—Messrs. Wilson, (Chairman,) Cameron, Morton, Ames, Logan, West and Blair.

On Naval Affairs—Messrs. Cragin, (Chairman,) Anthony, Nye, Osborn, Caldwell, Ferry, of Michigan, and Stockton.

On Judiciary—Messrs. Trumbull, (Chairman,) Edmunds, Conkling, Carpenter, Frelinghuysen, Pool and Thurman.

On Post-offices and Post-roads—Messrs. Ramsay, (Chairman,) Pomeroy, Gilbert, Cole, Flanagan, Ferry, of Michigan and Kellogg.

On Public Lands—Messrs. Pomeroy, (Chairman,) Tipton, Osborne, Sprague, Windom, Logan and Casserly.

On Private Land Claims—Messrs. Davis of Kentucky, (Chairman,) Ferry of Connecticut, Sawyer, Bayard and Blair.

On Indian Affairs—Messrs. Harlan, (Chairman,) Cragin, Buckingham, Stewart, Frelinghuysen, Hill, and Davis of Kentucky.

On Pensions—Messrs. Edmunds, (Chairman,) Tipton, Pratt, Brownlow, Ferry of Michigan, West and Salisbury.

On Revolutionary Claims—Messrs. Pool, (Chairman,) Brownlow, Corbett, Cragin, and vacancy to be filled with a Democrat.

On Claims—Messrs. Howe, (Chairman,) Scott, Spencer, Norman, Wright and Davis.

On the District of Columbia—Messrs. Patterson, (Chairman,) Sumner, Lewis, Spencer, Caldwell, Hitchcock and Vickers.

On Patents—Messrs. Ferry, of Connecticut, (Chairman,) Carpenter, Merrill of Maine, Windom and Hamilton.

On Public Buildings and Grounds—Messrs. Morrill, of Vermont, (Chairman,) Trumbull, Cole, Stockton and Hamilton.

On Territories—Messrs. Nye, (Chairman,) Cragin, Schurz, Boreman, Hill, Hitchcock and Cooper.

On the Pacific Railroad—Messrs. Stewart, (Chairman,) Ramsey, Wilson, Waylan, Rice, Fenton, Scott, Kellogg, Blair and Keller.

On Mines and Mining—Messrs. Rice, (Chairman,) Chandler, Flanagan, Lewis, Logan, Caldwell and Salisbury.

On the Revision of the Laws—Messrs. Conkling, (Chairman,) Carpenter, Pool, Pratt and Hamilton.

On Education and Labor—Messrs. Sawyer, (Chairman,) Merrill of Vermont, Flanagan, Patterson and Blair.

On Contingent Expenses—Messrs. Fenton, (Chairman,) Windom and Salsbury.

On Printing—Messrs. Anthony, (Chairman,) Howe and Casserly.

On the Library—Messrs. Morrill of Maine, (Chairman,) Howe and Sherman.

On Engrossed Bills—Messrs. Buckingham, (Chairman,) Ames and Davis.

On the Revision of the Rules—Messrs. Pomeroy, (Chairman,) Edmunds and Bayard.

On Political Disabilities—Messrs. Robertson, (Chairman,) Boreman, Ames, Gilbert, Vickers and Stevenson.

On the Levees of the Mississippi River—Messrs. Kellogg, (Chairman,) Trumbull, Schurz and Spencer, and one vacancy.

On the Special Committee on Southern Outrages—Messrs. Scott, (Chairman,) Wilson, Chandler, Sice, Nye and Bayard.

The Joint Select Committee on Retrenchment was discontinued. Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, declined re-election as Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, which was tendered him, on account of the condition of his health not permitting the heavy labor of the position. Mr. SUMNER will decline the Chairmanship of the new Committee on Privileges and Elections.

THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

Colored Citizens of San Francisco will not Parade on St. Patrick's Day—Forestalling the Hangman—Redeeming the Wages—Disorderly Opposition of Their Plunderers—Spoiling an Endowment by Conditions—German Emigration to Oregon.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 8.—The colored citizens, at a meeting last night, resolved that it would be inexpedient and impolitic for their military companies to parade as an escort to the civic procession on St. Patrick's Day.... There are heavy rains in Oregon.... HIRAM POOL, whose trial was to have taken place yesterday at Sonora, Tuolumne County, for the murder of C. P. HARRISON, hanged himself in his cell the night preceding.... A number of vessel-owners having reduced sailors' wages from thirty dollars to twenty-five dollars a month, and abolished the system of advance pay, the boarding-house keepers and runners with a few sailors made riotous demonstrations today at various points on the city front against the seamen who accepted work on the vessel-owners' terms. The Police several times dispersed the crowd and made a number of arrests of persons charged with assault and riot. The sailors generally are willing to accept the terms, but the boarding-masters are not disposed to submit quietly to a reduction of profits by the cutting off of the advance pay. All is now quiet.

A deed has been recorded by HORACE HOWES, giving in trust nearly $3,000,000 worth of real estate in San Francisco and San Mateo Counties for the foundation of the Mount Eagle University. The deed contains most minute directions for the government of the University perpetually, and requires to be raised in addition $100,000 within fifteen years, $500,000 in thirty years, $1,000,000 in fifty years, and $4,000,000 in 100 years, or $5,000,000 altogether. In the event of failure to comply with any of the requirements, the endowment is to lapse. It is believed that the provisions cannot be carried out, and the trust must inevitably lapse.... Arrangements have been completed for forwarding 50,000 German emigrants to Oregon to settle on the lands of the Oregon and California Railroad. A special line of steamers is to be put on between Bremen and Asptuwall, connecting with the new line which the Union Pacific Transportation Company will establish between Panama, San Francisco and Portland, in opposition to the Pacific Mail Company. Passengers from Bremen to Portland will be landed for $70.

THE ST. LOUIS TORNADO.

Eight Persons Known to Have Been Killed and Many More Seriously Injured—Buildings Demolished and Steam-boats Injured—Thirty Families Rendered Homeless—Full Particulars of the Catastrophe.

ST. LOUIS, March 9.—The deaths caused by the tornado which passed over East St. Louis yesterday afternoon, as far as known, are seven, as follows: JOHN HALPIN, employed on the bridge; JOHN R. O'NEILL, purchasing agent for the South-eastern Railroad; JOHN VOGEL, DANIEL COLLINS, TIMOTHY DRUMIN, ISAAC EVANS, engineer of the Chicago and Alton Railroad, burned in the round-house; JOHN EMLEY, a brakeman on the Toledo and Wabash Railroad, and a teamster, name unknown. Of the wounded, the following are the most seriously hurt: HENRY C. CHEVELING, Superintendent of the Wiggins Ferry Company, right shoulder fractured and head cut by the chimney of the ferry-boat falling across his carriage; GEORGE SCHONE, master-mechanic on the Chicago and Alton Road, received a terrible cut on the head, and his legs were badly crushed; MARGARET CONWAY had both legs broken; Mr. GRAHAM CONWAY and two children were fearfully cut about the head and body; LOUIS PREVIE's head was badly cut; L. MARKS, of Nashville, Ill., had his head shockingly cut; CHARLES PERRY and THOMAS HAMILTON were seriously cut; PETER FLYNN had a leg broken; FRANK DOERNAS and wife were badly hurt; MILTON MCFARLAND was seriously hurt; AARON STARNUS, agent of Adams Express, had his head badly cut; HARVEY STOKEMAN, yard-master of the Toledo and Wabash Railroad, had his head terribly cut; TIMOTHY DOHOHUE, of the same road, had his head badly cut; WM. TIMMINEY, fireman on the Wabash Road, shoulder dislocated; WM. HILL, blacksmith on the Wabash Road, head terribly cut, probably will not recover; PETER PHILISON, conductor on Pullman's sleeping-car, seriously injured; LUCY GLASGOW and BARBARA SINCRAFT, seriously injured; the latter will probably die; MARGARET RICHARDSON and child, injured—the latter fatally; MARGARET STOLAN and child, badly cut—the latter cannot recover; ELLEN DALTON, seriously hurt; TIMOTHY HOWARD, of the Chicago Railroad, terribly cut about the head; ELIZA POWELL, head badly cut; WILLIAM STARK, pilot of the ferry-boat, seriously injured; MATTHEW QUINN, of the Vandalia Railroad, arm broken; FRANK EDWARDS, engineer on the Vandalia Railroad, terribly scalded; W. T. GARNET, foreman of the Vandalia round-house, arm broken. Those less seriously and slightly injured will outnumber the above. The immense amount of frame-work in and around the eastern abutment of the bridge, consisting of derricks and the massive supports for other hoisting apparatus, was blown down like so many reeds. Some thirty families are rendered homeless by their houses being blown down. Most of the latter were totally destroyed.

The steamer *Mollie Able* lost her chimney, and the *Tapus* all her upper works, which were of iron. The ram *Vindicator*, owned by the Ferry Company, was lawed away, and the tug-boat *Hewitt*, belonging to the Bridge Company, lost her upper works. Capt. MONTGOMERY, of the *Hewitt*, was blown into the river, and rescued, slightly injured. At the sectional docks, on this side of the river, just below the city, the storm carried away the chimneys of the steamer *W. S. Deane*, and displaced her cabin several inches, and forced the steamer *Rubicon* and several barges from their moorings. At the Pittsburg Coal Dyke, on the Illinois shore, the ferry-boat *America* lost her upper works, and her pilot, RICHARD JOHNSON, was very badly hurt. Several small houses were demolished at this point.

SAN DOMINGO.

Movements of the Commissioners—Opposition to the Annexation Scheme—Threatened Interference from Hayti.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, March 9.—A letter received from Puerto Plata, dated the 6th says:

"The San Domingo Commission left here for Monte Cristo yesterday, accompanied by BARE' officials. The belief in Puerto Plata is that the annexation scheme will be carried out, notwithstanding there is a strong party in opposition to BARE. Threats have been made to burn the town if it is annexed, and already two houses have been set on fire. Guards constantly patrol the town at night. The partisans of CABRAL predict a general revolution, and there is much excitement in the island. It is reported that the condition of BARE is critical. The annexation party, however, remains firm.... An attempt to assassinate FARRINGTON, the British Consul at Puerto Plata, failed."

HAVANA, March 9.—Advices from Hayti to the first have been received. The American Consul at Cape Haytien had informed the Haytien commander that the Dominican Gen. LUPERON had crossed the Haytian frontier to join a revolution against BARE. The Consul reminded the commander that noninterference with Dominican affairs should be the policy of the Haytian Government. The commander promised to look into the matter.

TRANSPORTATION OF COAL.

Bill for its Regulation Before the Pennsylvania Legislature—The Reading Railroad Beyond its Reach.

HARRISBURG, March 9.—In the House the bill to regulate the transportation of coal was considered.

The first section prohibits any charge for transportation of coal of more than fifteen mills per mile per ton of 2,240 pounds, on grades not over twenty-eight feet to the mile, and not more than eighteen mills per ton per mile, on grades above twenty-eight feet to the mile. An additional allowance may be made of two mills extra per ton per mile, on distances less than fifty miles, and two cents per ton for branches at loading and shipping points. The second section requires companies to transport coal from all collieries on their line. The third section requires them to supply a sufficient number of cars to meet all demands. The fourth section inflicts heavy damages for violations. The fifth section exempts companies having special charters for the transportation of coal only, from the bill.

The bill was passed through the Committee of the Whole without a word of amendment or opposition, but objections were made to suspending the rules for the second reading. Mr. HALL said the bill could not reach the Reading Road because it was chartered five years before the Constitution was amended giving the Legislature the power to revoke or alter charters of corporations.

After a long discussion the bill went over for a week.

Struck by Lightning.

CHICAGO, March 9.—Ex-Mayor BRAND, of Galena, Ill., was struck by lightning about 5 o'clock on Tuesday morning, while adjusting a tin water-pipe near the lightning-rod on his house. The shock was a severe one. He was rendered unconscious, and continued in that condition until he was discovered by some of the family. He was soon restored to consciousness

the Controller wants a million of dollars in a month, he issues these Revenue Bonds, in anticipation of money to be raised by taxation, and goes out among those who are eager to get possession of them, and borrows money without the necessity of asking authority from an inquisitive body of Common Councilmen.

REPORTER—Why, it is as equal to manufacturing greenbacks at will.

LITTLE CHIEF—Over three million dollars' worth of these bonds have been issued for the payment of claims, adjusted by the Controller, under the power given him by the legislative act of last winter abolishing the Board of Audit, a former experiment at the Legislature, and transferring their powers to the Controller. The Controller's power for the adjustment of claims still exists, but the Mayor and Commissioner of Public Works now share the labor and emolument with him.

REPORTER—WATSON used to be the particular confidant of the Controller, was he not?

LITTLE CHIEF—Yes. WATSON made his first big money by acting as a go-between with CONNOLLY and persons who had claims to adjust. ANY one who wanted to see CONNOLLY had first to "see" WATSON—that is to say, they had to "come down with the stamps."

REPORTER—I suppose there is no doubt in your mind that WATSON was the stalpen of the Ring in the Broadway widening job!

LITTLE CHIEF—None in the least. The exposure of that job is one of the most telling blows that has been dealt at the Ring. There is one job, however, that I have never seen much publicity given to, in connection with the Fifth-avenue pavement. In the act passed by the Legislature of 1869, 1870, is a tax levy, a clause was inserted to provide for the appropriation of $600,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for converting the City Hall Park into an open plaza, and paving Fifth-avenue and other streets with concrete pavement. In the final engrossing of the tax levy, after its passage, the word "thereof" was by some mysterious cause omitted, which, of course, increased the amount granted to indefinite limit. There was such an outcry, however, by the Press and public against the pavement, which proved to be so worthless that it had to be stripped from Fifth-avenue, that money to the benefit of the Ring and the benefit of the public, the streets of New-York were saved from being totally plastered with the Fiske concrete pavement.

REPORTER—And Mr. ——, you are satisfied, though a Tammany Democrat, to have this conversation published?

LITTLE CHIEF—Yes, it will do anything toward the downfall of the Ring. I am glad to offer it as my mite for the good of the party; but of course as my position, and the power which the Ring have at present to crush me politically, depends upon my name being kept secret, I hope you will not mention it.

A NEW RING JOB.

The Object of the Conspiracy Against Washington Market—Schemes to Establish a Rival Enterprise by Tweed and Company—The Manhattan Market—Significant Names of Trustees—War on the Poor.

The removal of Washington Market is a foregone conclusion. The structure which for over half a century has been the favorite and familiar trading-place for house-wives and poor people generally, is soon to be swept out of existence, although the official decree for its destruction has not yet gone forth. There are numerous reasons given by its enemies in favor of its abolition, but there is one more potent than all of them which has heretofore been kept a secret, and which betrays another "job" by the Ring. They are about to throw out their Briarean hand to seize and tear down the old landmark, in order to direct public traffic to a proposed new market, of which they expect to become the owners, if they have not already made themselves so. With an energy that is somewhat remarkable under the circumstances, the ostensible projectors of the scheme commenced operations as soon as it became tacitly understood that destruction was to be the fate of Washington Market. "Manhattan Market" is to be the title of the institution which it is intended shall succeed it. Its site embraces the block bounded by Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth streets and Eleventh and Twelfth avenues. The act under which its officers were incorporated by the name of the Manhattan Market Company was passed by the Legislature last Winter, and gives them the power, among other things, of building public markets within the City. Among the list of trustees appear the names of WM. M. TWEED, Jr., and "ALEC" FRASER. The capital of the Company is confined to $1,000,000, to be divided into shares of $100 each, and the enterprise is intended to become the main distributing market in this City. Several experienced butchers have pronounced this scheme impossible, provided Washington Market is allowed to remain. They think, however, that the abolition of the present great public market is desirable, and is certain to take place, mainly if not solely because it now stands in the way of the success of its new rival. This statement, they argue, is made apparent by the fact that they will not be permitted to buy more than $200,000 worth of stock in the Manhattan Market, thereby leaving open to the Ring trustees the opportunity of watering the stock after the fashion of a noted railway company. Let the existing market remain, say the indignant butchers, and its rival, the Manhattan, is sure to prove a dead failure. They point to the almost defunct Clinton Market on the west side as evidence of the utter folly of striving against Washington Market, to whose stalls the people are certain to come as long as it exists. They assert that it is very objectionable on account of its filthy condition, but that the cheapness of its prices is an argument in its behalf. They maintain that meat, such as the poor buy, is sold there forty per cent. cheaper than it can be obtained at any other market, and represent the Ring movement as a war on the victuals of the poor. The butchers deny that they are adverse to competition, provided they are permitted to stay at Washington Market. They suspect, however, that the destruction of the old site is wanted merely to help the fortunes of the alleged Ring market.

The ground now known as Washington Market, and which will always continue to be designated by that name in the history of this City, was first devoted to its present purpose about the middle of the last century, when Trinity Church corporation granted some of its property as the site of a public market. This grant includes that portion of the block running between Vesey and Fulton streets to the depth of about 100 feet on the Washington-street side, which is certainly not the Trinity estate when it ceases to become a market, although it is commonly believed to belong to the City. The original market was increased in size by the addition of 400 feet on the western side by the City, who acted under charters framed during the administration of DONGAN and CORNBURY, Colonial Governors, allowing the City the possession of all common land up to high-water mark. Beyond high-water mark the land for a certain distance was given to the State, according to an act of Congress, and this part was filled in and made West Washington Market. The latter market was sold to the City by the State a few years ago.

OTHER DISGUISED BLESSINGS.

Recent Distribution of Ring Sinecures.

It is estimated that the recent Fenian procession, which was commanded by WILLIAM M. TWEED, *Esq.*, cost the City an outlay of about $60,000. How much greater expense the Ring subsequently entailed on the tax-payers for its reception of the Irish exiles, can be surmised when it is known that since that event it has appointed a good many persons who figured in it to sinecure places in the various Departments at salaries ranging from $1,000 to $2,500 per annum. This distribution of Ring patronage was made in return for the aid furnished by the recipients in inaugurating the procession. It is believed that they were promised their appointments in advance, provided they would work to insure the success of the demonstration, and give a political aspect to it. Among those who have been placed in sinecure offices, as alleged, are B. MCSWINNEY, a retail dealer on Broadway; THOMAS SHIELDS, an east-side liquor-saloon keeper, and one BRANDON, who acted as an officer in the procession, for which his name was placed on the pay-roll of the Finance Department at $2,500 a year. It is understood that he is unable to read and write. MCSWINNEY also participated in the procession, and was provided with an appointment under CONNOLLY at a similar salary. Numerous other persons were repaid in a like substantial manner, and their names will be published in a short time. The most difficult official duty which devolves on them is the drawing of their wages.

The Washington Parade Ground.

The iron railings which inclose Washington Parade Ground are being fast removed by order of the Park Commissioners. The Park is to be converted into an open plaza. The railings are still in good repair, and cost the City when first put up $70,000, for the payment of which Park stock was issued, and much of which is still unredeemed.

Exclusive Favors to Tweed, Sweeny & Co.

During the past few months of filth and dirt in our public streets, citizens living near the dwelling-houses occupied by the leaders of the Ring, have doubtless had their attention attracted by the vigilant and zealous devotion to cleanliness displayed by the City street contractor on the thoroughfares inhabited by these official dignitaries. His sweepers and cart-drivers were frequent, if not daily visitors to the localities in question, invoring the streets and gutters with a vigorous application of the broom, spade and shovel, thereby causing them to look clean and respectable. Such has been the practice, it is alleged, of daring for the block in Fifth-avenue in which TWEED resides, together with those occupied by SWEENY in West Thirty-fourth-street, and CONNOLLY, in Park-avenue. Every vestige of dirt was removed with great care, at the expense of the City, from the sight of these distinguished gentlemen and their families, as they sat in their "palatial" mansions, but the sweepers and shovelers, singular to state, almost invariably left untouched the nadir of nastiness which filled the adjacent avenues and streets. How the property-holders in these less favored neighborhoods felt over this neglect can better be judged than told.

How the Ring Collects Water Rents.

In addition to the numerous fat places which the Street Commissioner, CHARLES G. CORNELL, holds, or has held, under the Ring, he is now enjoying a fine salary as Water Register, a pursuit belonging to TWEED'S Department. The office is one of the legacies left to the City by a former Ring Common Council, and its duty is merely the collection of revenue derived from the sale and use of Croton water by saloon-keepers and others. An instance of the manner in which this easy but expensive task is accomplished by the present incumbent has just occurred to the servant of thousands who are in arrears, and who refuse to renew their water rent. One of the persons, if not more, so notified, found that his assessment read "last notice," which was rather surprising to him, as it was the first and only one he had ever received. What was still more astonishing to him was the fact that he was called up to pay for what he did not enjoy, as he had always had his water-faucet in his saloon, and supplying it with water brought from his private apartments. He could only account for the strange notice on the ground that he was not a Ring politician, or possessed of any political influence. He was threatened with the shutting off of the supply on his premises unless he called and settled within three days.

PERSONAL, POLITICAL, AND GENERAL.

Sausages are dog-cheap in Philadelphia.

Virginia talks about separating its State and Congressional elections.

The San Francisco *Alta* speaks of a man who "is on its last legs with consumption." Those Californians always had queer ways.

The Republican candidates received two-thirds of the votes cast at the corporation election in Williamsport, Md., on Monday.

Gov. DAVIS, of Texas, has returned to Indiana the State colors of the Twenty-sixth Indiana Regiment, which were captured near Brashear City, La., in 1863.

Janesville, Wis., reports a slight touch of earthquake on Wednesday morning, 1st inst. These earthquakes are really getting to be altogether too common.

The Louisiana Democratic State Central Committee, dissatisfied with some of the acts of its President, has deposed him, and elected Judge HENRY D. OGDEN to the position.

The value of whale catchings brought into New-Bedford, Mass., in 1870, was $2,190,954. During the same period the value of imports at the port of Gloucester was $3,734,500.

Whenever the city authorities of Boston discover a man of any note within its borders, they straightway drag him off on a visit to the school-ship in the harbor.

The Theta Delta Chi fraternity has held its annual convention in Philadelphia this week. JOHN GOODRICH, of the Philadelphia Bar, delivered the address, and F. G. GILBERT, of this City, read a poem.

QUANTRILL, the scoundrel who has died so many times since he burned the City of Lawrence, Kan., during the rebellion, has just been arrested once more, in full health and vigor, in Morrisonville, Ill.

Many papers in the North have erroneously stated that the Hon. E. M. YERGER, whose death in Mississippi has just been announced, was the murderer of Col. CRAWS, acting Mayor of Jackson.

The name of the member of the Nebraska House of Representatives who presided when the articles of impeachment against Gov. BUTLER were read and adopted by an unanimous vote, is DOOM. It may be significant.

Staid Vermont complains earnestly of the sad carrying-on of Boston drummers, who drive the best horses in their livery-stables to death, and rush through their towns on the Sabbath, with cigars in their mouths and curses between their teeth.

The endowment of $400,000 for the proposed Syracuse University has been subscribed. The city is to add $100,000 more, and then there will be nothing in the way of a speedy commencement of the work, and its steady advancement to completion.

The Richmond *State Journal* describes with much minuteness how, seventy years ago and more, GEORGE WASHINGTON took a severe cold one wet, raw, damp and disagreeable day, while surveying a plot of land owned by him, and died shortly after of pneumonia.

The Ex-Confederates in Missouri are to hold a convention in Fredericktown, on the 5th of April, that they may learn each other's opinions on the political issues of the time, and determine what course of action will be best for them to pursue hereafter.

The Galveston *News* hastens to deny that Eastern paper's statements respecting "poor JACK MAGUIRE," which we quoted the other day, and says that he was not a military exquisite; that there was nothing skin to foppery about him, and that he was a fastidious and refined gentleman.

A cheerful correspondent of the little *Morning Call of Duluth, Minn.*, says it is a shame for a city with such magnificent future prospects not to have a beautiful and attractive burying-place, and that, from its poverty in this respect, invalids from abroad may well hesitate in making Duluth their temporary home.

In the opinion of the Ottawa (Canada) *Free Press*, $25,000 is not a large sum for the United States to pay to their Commissioners for settling the *Alabama* claims, the Fenian losses, the Fishery rights, the San Juan difficulty, and the Naturalization law. It thinks work must be getting cheap at Washington, and predicts that it will certainly cost Great Britain twice $25,000.

The Auditor of Louisiana has communicated to the Legislature the following rough estimate of the debt of the State, showing that it is in excess of the constitutional limit: Bonds actually issued, $22,580,333 22; miscellaneous indebtedness, $667,539 96; outstanding warrants, $1,300,311 81; outstanding certificates of indebtedness, $289,655 62; bonds authorized to be issued, $16,350,000—total, $41,271,734 61.

A Connecticut lawyer, who wished to cross the river on the ice, was told that it would be entirely safe to make the attempt if he crawled over on his hands and knees. Anxious to go he humbled himself accordingly, and had laboriously got half way across when he was overtaken by a man driving along leisurely in a buggy. The rapidity with which he assumed an upright position was startling to the driver.

In a divorce suit on trial in Richmond, Va., the defendant, the husband, says in reply to allegations of the plaintiff, that she knew before her marriage with him that his first wife was in a lunatic asylum; and also, that he thought his first wife, for that reason, was dead in law. He further states that his wife No. 2 never would have sought a divorce from him had he not informed about her mother having a silver ladle belonging to Gen. WISE.

The Troy *Times* tells this romantic little story: A lady of Troy, married seven years since to a promising young merchant, who subsequently became dissipated and squandered his property, went to Chicago about a month since and procured a divorce from her husband. It is now reported that while in Chicago she met a gentleman of wealth, who fell in love with her on first sight, proposed marriage, and was united to her last week.

Speaking of the session of the South Carolina Legislature, just closed, the Charleston *News* says that for the first time, under Radical Government, honest Republicans and honest Conservatives, in the Senate and House, have worked and voted together for the promotion of the common good. And it adds that it must not be forgotten that the incorruptible few have had, from the beginning of his second term of office, the sympathy and active assistance of Gov. SCOTT.

The Richmond *Dispatch* tells the Virginians that there is no sentimentalism of the day more absurd than that which affects distrust and fear of outside capital invested in their State; and it frankly says that it would greatly prefer that a wealthy company of Northern men should embark in building a railroad in Virginia, as a source of moderator by the people of the State, if that were indeed possible, as "all must confess that Northern men in such works are far more practical and successful than our own."

A committee appointed by the Immigration Convention held in Baltimore in December last, has published an address to the people, setting forth the need of a heavy influx of white laborers, and especially of agriculturists, and recommending that county organizations be at once effected and the State Convention again called together by its President, Gov. BOWIE, for the purpose of united action and the promotion of the object in contemplation.

Hon. WILLIAM F. BARRETT, a Louisville member of the Kentucky Legislature, was asked recently by a lady to use his influence to secure the passage of a law to enable her to open a lottery, that she might accumulate sufficient money to avail herself of the services of an oculist, as she is about losing her eye-sight. The appeal was a touching one, and he protesting that, as a Christian gentleman, he could not conscientiously vote to legalize a lottery scheme, drew a check in her favor for $500, and presented it to her.

There was a lively scene in the Circuit Court, in Knoxville, Tenn., on Saturday, when H. H. TAYLOR, a lawyer, made a statement, which Judge GEORGE BROWN, the opposing counsel, denounced as a lie, at the same time raising his cane as if to strike TAYLOR. That gentleman picked up a chair and struck Judge BROWN, nearly knocking him down, and was about to strike him again when Sheriff GOSSETT stepped between the combatants, and order was restored. Judge HALL vindicated the majesty of the law, so flagrantly outraged, and imposed a fine of $50 on each of the parties.

Milwaukee papers note the death, on the 5th inst., of Capt. DENNIS MCBRIDE, one of the earliest navigators of the LAKES, who was wheelsman on the *Erie*, in 1841, when that steam-boat was burned on Lake Erie, by which memorable disaster—the first of any magnitude to occur on the Lakes—nearly 400 persons lost their lives by burning or drowning. He has served as Captain for twenty-eight years, and navigated one steam-ship, the *Detroit*, across the lake between Milwaukee and Grand Haven 2,752 passages, without the loss of a single life or accident to the vessel. Indeed, he never lost a passenger nor met with serious accident while in command.

The Bangor (Me.) *Whig*, which occasionally tells a story easy of belief, contains this: Last Wednesday evening, as the passenger and mail train on the E. & N. A. Railway was running on its usual up trip, a pistol bullet came through the window of the engine-cab and struck the engineer, Mr. WM. F. LEWIS, on the side, with such violence that it passed clear through a small Testament in his vest pocket, and lodged between the inner-cover and the cloth. Owing to the noise of the train, neither Mr. LEWIS nor his fireman heard the shot or noticed that the glass was broken until the next day, and Mrs. LEWIS, examining her husband's vest, was the first to discover the bullet.

NOTES FROM THE PEOPLE.

Our Shipping Interests.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The letter from Mr. NIEMCO, of the Treasury Department, to GEORGE W. BLUNT, Esq., which is printed in the TIMES of this morning, points to a remedy for the revival of our shipping interests, which would have been in accordance with the spirit of the age of the beginning of this century, but which is not likely to meet with general approval today. The plan proposes our withdrawal from the reciprocal navigation treaties, by the terms of which, freedom in our carrying trade with other countries is accorded to the ships of every country which concedes a like privilege to American ships. This policy, which has been adopted by nearly all the maritime countries of the world, has superseded the restrictive system which was in action up to 1850, and which Messrs. NIEMCO and BLUNT desire to restore. That system confined the importation of cargoes of foreign produce and manufactures to ships of the country into which they were imported, or ships of the country from whence they came. A British ship could not bring a cargo into the United States from other than a British port; and, *vice versa*, an American ship could not carry a cargo to England from any other than an American port. What Mr. NIEMCO styles "random commerce"—by which I understand him to mean, the trade carried on by ships which, having no special employment, are ready to engage in any trade which holds out the inducement of remunerative freights, and which is now extensively prosecuted by British ships, to the exclusion of American ships, is to be restored to ships of American construction, by a revival of the old system of navigation laws. Such a regulation, it is argued, would exclude British ships from our trade with China, Brazil, and other non-ship-owning countries, with which we have a considerable commerce, which would, perforce, be carried on by American-built ships. The proposition sounds reasonable enough, and the system might, perhaps, realize the expectations of its able and influential advocates, if the ruling powers of China, Brazil, &c., could be brought to renounce the error of their ways and revert to the respectable, but antiquated theories to which Mr. NIEMCO and Mr. BLUNT adhere, but unfortunately the rulers of those countries, influenced no doubt by the mysterious and omniscient power of British gold, are so unpatriotic as to permit the registration of ships built in other countries than their own. If, therefore, we can manage to legislate the freights upon the tea and coffee that we consume up to a rate that will be profitable to ships built here, we hall have the satisfaction of paying the piper while others dance. British-built ships will be transferred to the Chinese and Brazilian flags, and underbid us then as they do now. The "heathen Chinee" is already largely employed on the steamers of the Pacific Mail Company, and this enterprise, as an extended employment of that enterprising people in our trade with their country, would materially assist in raising the wages of American mariners.

In our direct trade with Great Britain and other countries of Europe, all of which are able to build or buy ships cheaper than we can build or buy them, it is proposed to enact discriminating duties on cargoes imported in American ships. This arrangement might answer, if we could control both ends of the route, but holding the control of one end only, we cannot prevent England, Germany or France from retaliating upon us, and restoring the equilibrium of duties by discriminating against cargoes imported into their countries in American ships. The system of discriminating and retaliatory duties if pursued to its logical conclusion will force us to employ two sets of ships—the American ship to go to Europe in ballast to bring a cargo home, and the British ship to come here in ballast to carry a cargo to England. By doubling the number of ships and forcing some of them to be built here, our ship builders would be employed for a few years; but what would be the effect of doubling freights upon our producers and merchants? It would go far to destroy our export of produce and breadstuffs, compelling our foreign consumers, who would look to other countries for their supplies. Russia and the Danubian Provinces would gain what our producers would lose, and American farmers would be sacrificed that American ship-builders might enjoy a brief period of factitious and illusory prosperity.

J. E. O.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, March 8, 1871.

Gambling in the Streets.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In the TIMES of today, an article headed "Crime on the Sabbath" has been carefully read by many of your readers, no doubt—certainly by one, viz., the writer of this; and I cannot fail to ask: Where do the perpetrators of Sunday crimes come from, and how do they spend the Sabbath in this City in their younger days? Playing marbles and pitching pennies on the sidewalks—not in by-places, but on the sidewalks, under your window and mine; they will thus gamble by the hour, unless driven away by some near-by resident, (for it is seldom a policeman speaks to them,) after having used some of the most vile language that can emanate from the lips of any human being. I have counted as many as fifteen boys engaged in gambling on the sidewalk at a time on the Sabbath. It is here the commencement is made for a higher grade of crime, and is it not a duty the Police owe to society to put a stop to this vicious practice, and teach these boys a lesson that they will not forget, and give those that have not yet commenced, the pleasing knowledge that forcing the law is understood, that the mode of gambling is not a violation of the law. Will the Police enforce it?

OBSERVER.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, March 8, 1871.

St. Patrick's Expectations.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I read with lively satisfaction the remarks of your two correspondents of yesterday upon St. Patrick's Day and its observance by the municipality and Irishmen of New-York.

The cry of indignation is loud on the part of our respectable citizens of all classes against the indignity yearly offered them by the Ring and its supporters on St. Patrick's Day. It is the only day of the year in which traffic through the entire City, and from morning to night, is almost totally suspended. On other days the impediment offered by processions is but slight, and foot passengers can always pass between the columns of the different processions. But let any one dare to cross the path of St. Patrick, and a Captain of Police or his subaltern will treat you as a felon.

The friends of St. Patrick should be made to keep their line of march on one street. If they desire to display themselves from the Battery to King's Bridge to their admiring friends, and take up one direct line of march, well and good; nobody would have the slightest desire to object. But, as it has been for some years back, the Irishmen of the City, aided by the men who so outrageously control our City Government, manage their display on St. Patrick's Day entirely regardless of the comfort of our citizens and of their necessities. The outrage should not be longer endured.

FROM A CITIZEN.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, March 9, 1871.

"If You Don't Like It, Do the Other Thing."

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Permit me to say to your correspondent who heads his article in your issue of today, "Have Americans no rights which Irishmen are bound to respect?" and who protests so strenuously against the use of our streets by Irishmen on the anniversary of our blessed St. Patrick, that "av yo don't like New-Yark ye can lave it."

HIBERNICUS.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, March 8, 1871.

[We have received a large number of letters protesting against St. Patrick, but as Mr. FIELDS' resolution was lost in the Assembly, we may as well leave the Saint to take his chance.]

Long Dresses in the Streets.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Sundry articles have recently appeared in your paper remonstrating against the revival of the fashion of wearing long dresses in the streets. Would it not be well to inform the wearers of long dresses in the streets that they were designed only for the drawing-room, and that the fox never wear them elsewhere. A Parisian lady of fox would be horrified to see them in the streets. I had always supposed they were worn here from necessity, as we cannot afford, except in some isolated instances, to have different dresses for all occasions—such, for instance, as walking, morning, evening and drawing-room dresses, and must be content to make one or two particularly nice dresses answer for all occasions. It would be uncharitable to believe that any lady would sweep the streets with her dress, unless from necessity.

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The Darien Canal.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Will you permit me to say through your columns a few words on the Darien interoceanic canal and the discovery of the pass by FATA? Late reports from the United States steamer *Guard* speak very hopefully of the prospect of success of a ship canal running through this pass and connecting the Cacarica and Tuyra Rivers, which would enable vessels to pass from the Gulf of Darien, on the Atlantic, up the Atrato and Cacarica Rivers and down the Tuyra River into the Gulf of San Miguel on the Pacific. These reports were published here in the papers of the 1st inst., one of which states that "Commander SELFRIDGE has already found a feasible route," and another that "Commander SELFRIDGE had discovered a route from the mouth of the Atrato," &c.

In *Putnam's Magazine* for March, 1869, may be found an article describing this precise route, which had been explored in the early part of 1866 by an accomplished French engineer, M. LOUIS LAGHARMES. I had the pleasure of making this gentleman's acquaintance in South America some three years ago, and have often heard him speak of the Pass of Fata with the greatest confidence that the grand interoceanic canal would eventually be located there. His discoveries were brought to the notice of the authorities at Washington, and will doubtless be properly acknowledged in the official reports; meanwhile I invite the attention of those who are interested (and who is not?) to the magazine article above referred to, and to the map that accompanied it—a map that would seem to have been used in preparing the *Herald* map of last Wednesday, so similar in the two is the line of a part of the canal that had not yet been traversed by the party from the *Guard*.

In conclusion, I may say that M. LAGHARMES, although still residing in South America, is well acquainted with and much interested in our own country, and that at the great Exposition of 1855 he was an official delegate from the State of California.

O. B. I.

No. 124 EAST TWENTY-FIFTH-STREET,
NEW-YORK, Wednesday, March 8, 1871.

ANOTHER MURDER.

Death of Israel Schmidt—Five Men Committed on Suspicion.

Coroner SCHIRMER was notified, yesterday, that ISRAEL SCHMIDT, the bar-keeper who was shot on Sunday night by a gang of ruffians, had expired at his residence, No. 845 First-avenue, from the effect of his wounds. It will be remembered that about 6½ o'clock on Sunday afternoon a gang of seven young men entered the saloon, No. 845 First-avenue, and called for drinks, which were furnished them, and they then refused to pay for them. ISRAEL SCHMIDT, who was a brother of the proprietor, waited upon them, and then turned upon being paid, when the gang suddenly made an assault upon him, and, as he was defending himself as well as he could against such overwhelming odds, one of the party drew a revolver, and taking deliberate aim, fired at the unfortunate man, who fell unconscious to the floor with the bullet in his brain. The assassins fled from the saloon at the same instant that their victim fell, and when aid arrived a moment later the dying man was alone. The Nineteenth Precinct Police subsequently arrested GEO. MINTLE, JAMES MCCARTY, EDWARD FARRELL, JOHN MAHER, and PATRICK MURRAY, who, they ascertained, were in the party who had committed the assault, and as they were fully identified by HENRY SCHMIDT, the brother of deceased, they were remanded at the Yorkville Police Court by Justice COULTER. The fact of ISRAEL SMITH'S death coming to the knowledge of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, they ordered the prisoners to be removed to the Tombs, to await the action of the Coroner. Capt. GUNNER, of the Nineteenth Precinct, hearing that the friends of the five men now under arrest had uttered wild threats of rescuing them from the prison officials while in transit, deemed it advisable to send a guard with the van, which proved sufficient to prevent any attempt to rescue the ruffians. When the men emerged from the van they found themselves confronted by the gallows erected for the execution of THOMAS, the negro murderer, and the unexpected spectre caused them to blench and shrink, all being evidently glad to escape into the main prison. The date of the inquest has not been announced.

The Celebration of St. Patrick's Day.

Foremost, perhaps, among those who will heartily participate in the celebration of St. Patrick's Day are the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, of which Judge BRADY is President, who will celebrate the eighty-seventh anniversary of the organization of their Society by a dinner at the Hoffman House. This ancient society has numbered among its members not a few who have honored alike the land of their birth and their adoption in the only form in which either can be here truly honored, by pure and upright lives as men and citizens. Discarding all political and religious discussions, even to the extent of mentioning either, the members of the Society, including Irishmen and their descendants, assemble on the 17th and cordially join hands, however they may differ in faith or political tenets, the Irishman born to indulge in memories and love of his native land, and their descendants to pay respectful tribute to the land of their ancestors, while Ireland, her sons and daughters, their genius and triumphs, are duly considered and honored. It has been the time-honored custom to have all the sister societies of other nationalities represented at the celebrations of the Friendly Sons, each replying to the toast in its honor by a representative member; but liberal as have been the Friendly Sons in their original organization, and in their social celebrations, it is the purpose to still more liberalize it. Therefore, at the approaching celebration it is intended that instead, as heretofore, of embarrassing modest Irishmen by assigning them to laud the land of their birth, and still more modest Americans to parade the plumage of the American Eagle in defiance of the pilgrims who recall the historic memories of the Green Isle, while a lineal descendant of the hoary Chieftain of Clan-Gart will marshal the crowning glories of the great Republic.

THE MURDERER THOMAS.

How the Condemned Man Passed His Last Day of Life—The Gallows and the Final Preparations.

This morning, about 9½ o'clock, JOHN THOMAS, the negro murderer, will suffer death on the gallows for the killing of WALTER JOHNSON, another colored man.

The gallows on which the condemned man must die, was erected in the prison yard early yesterday morning, in the old corner, directly in front of the entrance to the female prison. The scaffold presents the same appearance as on previous occasions. A few fresh planed boards were laid on the stone pavement, and a rough box erected in the corner to conceal the weights and the man who is to cut the rope that is to let the iron masses fall and hoist the body of the condemned into the air. A few impromptu desks have also been provided for the representatives of the Press and the Sheriff's jury.

Sheriff BRENNAN was very strict yesterday in keeping visitors out of the prison, so that scarcely any one except the officials saw the scaffold prepared. Those persons who were committed to the Tombs during the day of course saw the ghastly paraphernalia, the female prisoners all passing under the frame as they entered the matron's office.

THOMAS received but few visitors yesterday. Father DURANQUET and the Sisters of Mercy were with him very early and he received the sacrament at their hands. His wife visited him in the morning, but retired at noon to prepare herself for the final interview this morning. The prisoner's daughter, a bright little girl thirteen years of age, remained in the prison all day, but scarcely seemed to realize the awful position her father was placed in. Mr. GEORGE BACCUS, of No. 672 Second-avenue, formerly Hayti Minister, also called yesterday to see THOS. As, who had been brought up by him until he was twelve years of age. THOMAS WIGGINS, the detective, who is in the Tombs for killing a man in West Hoboken last year, with an iron crowbar a few months ago, visited his old bell-mate at 8 o'clock, when the men greeted each other with a bright smile, the condemned being the most cheerful when they parted.

This morning at daylight, THOMAS will, as is customary, pass under the gallows on his way to mass in the chapel, and at 9 o'clock will part from his family. He is understood to have passed a tranquil evening, as is almost invariably the rule with men about to be executed, and retired to rest at 11 P. M., in good spirits. The Sheriff decided yesterday to exclude all visitors to the prison last night. All of the prisoners confined in the prison on minor charges were removed yesterday to the Tombs, and no persons will be taken to the Tombs Court between the hours of 1 A. M. and 2 P. M., today, in order to prevent confusion.

The Police preparations for the execution have been made upon the extensive scale usual on such occasions, and seem to have been predicated rather upon usage than upon any fear of disorder. Detectives were issued yesterday, detailing twelve men and one roundsman from each of the following precincts: First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Twenty-eighth and Seventeenth, all of whom, with one Sergeant from the First, Fourth and Fourteenth, are to report at the Tombs at ½ o'clock. This force of 120 men is to be added to that of the Ninth Precinct, which, under Capt. KEENEY, will be in charge of the interior of the prison. Superintendent KELSO will, however, be on the ground, and will be in chief command.

EXIT DAN NOBLE.

Close of the Royal Life Insurance Bond Robbery Case—Dan Noble Convicted and Sent to State Prison—Story of the Case.

The adage "when thieves fall out honest men get their dues," was never better exemplified than on Wednesday, when DAN NOBLE, a notorious scoundrel, was convicted of participation in the famous bond robbery in the office of the Royal Life Insurance Company, in this City. The story of the crime and its subsequent developments afford a rare insight into the workings of our Police system, and the peculiar habits of criminals in this country, and as the Royal Life Insurance bond robbery has never been detailed in its entire form, the present appears to be the most fitting opportunity for so doing.

During the forenoon of the 10th of December, 1866, two well-dressed men entered the main office of the New-York branch of the Royal Life Insurance Company of England, situated in the building No. 76 Wall-street. They inquired for Mr. ANTHONY B. MCDONALD, the agent, and were directed to that gentleman's private office in the rear of the floor occupied by the Company. Mr. MCDONALD received his visitors courteously, and was gratified to find that one of them was disposed to insure his life for the sum of $10,000 or $20,000. The gentleman in question explained their errand in a frank and business manner, and the one who expressed a wish to insure his life was soon busy with Mr. MCDONALD in looking over the blank forms used by the Company, and the regulations and rules adopted by it in the transaction of the business of life insurance. Mr. MCDONALD literally took an interest in the matter, as his visitor would probably be a heavy insurer, and totally overlooked the companion of the man who had engaged his attention.

The conversation lasted scarcely twenty minutes, and the visitors retired, promising to return the next day. Scarcely half an hour after, Mr. MCDONALD stepped up to his safe, and was chagrined to find a tin box, containing $260,000 worth of United States and other bonds, had been removed. A hue and cry was immediately raised, and the detectives notified of the robbery, the result being a four years' chase after the thieves and the property, the incidents of which would furnish all the materials of a romance, if the officers would for once forget their traditional cunning, and give the facts as they really occurred.

At the time the robbery was committed, JOHN JOURDAN, subsequently Superintendent of Police, was Captain in the Sixth Ward, and he was the first to "drop" on the real thieves. DAN NOBLE was then occupying a house in Mercer-street, near Bleecker, and adjoining it had been for some months an object of suspicion to the Police. JOURDAN became satisfied that DAN had had a hand in the larceny, and he and Capt. JOHN S. YOUNG, of the Detective Squad, ascertained that two notorious thieves named FRANK KNAPP and JAMES GRIFFIN, who had been adjoining at the house, had disappeared from the City the same day the robbery had been committed. By the exercise of the stool-pigeon system so much in vogue with our City detectives, the missing men were traced to Montreal, Canada, their hiding-place being also discovered by a watch kept on a woman passing herself as Mrs. GRIFFIN. The detectives proceeded to the City of Montreal, where they seized a quantity of the stolen bonds, and also arrested KNAPP and GRIFFIN. As the crime did not come under the extradition treaty, the prisoners were released by a Magistrate, who recommended Mr. MCDONALD to enter into civil proceedings for the recovery of the bonds found in the possession of the thieves. This was done, and led to a compromise by which the Company secured $65,000 worth of bonds by paying a premium of fifteen per cent. for the same. Neither GRIFFIN or KNAPP dared to leave Canada, so the former established himself as a livery-stable keeper in St. Catharine's.

Matters rest rolled by, when the detectives had their hopes revived by the appearance of Mrs. GRIFFIN, who stated that, as her husband and KNAPP had been unfairly treated by the principal party to the robbery, they had decided to send her on to New-York as a witness against the prime mover in the crime, by being no less a person than the gentlemanly DAN NOBLE. Mr. JOURDAN had all along suspected DAN to be the one who had "put up the job," as it was so clean and clever an operation, so he at once proceeded to secure the arrest of NOBLE, on a warrant issued by Justice HOGAN. DAN had established himself in splendid style in Elmira, N.Y., and had by his previous frugal habits made himself conspicuous by his valuable team of horses, nice house, and the manner he threw money away. When arrested he had just returned from a drive with his fancy team, and was brought to this City in full sporting costume, which he wore during the entire seven weeks occupied by his examination.

That NOBLE had plenty of money was evidenced by the fact that he had in his possession $1,100 in his pocket when taken into custody, and which money, by the way, was unaccountably mislaid after the detective received it. The officer was subsequently dismissed for something else, so the matter was lost sight of. NOBLE secured as his counsel Mr. JOHN GRAHAM, and the newspapers were nearly two months filled with the voluminous evidence taken. The substance of Mrs. GRIFFIN'S evidence was, that both GRIFFIN and KNAPP had come to New-York from Boston on the invitation of NOBLE, who gave them the outline of the plot he had formed to rob the insurance company. He had visited the office several times and knew exactly where the box of bonds was placed in the safe, the hours and habits of the agent, and was satisfied that two cool men could very easily manage to secure the box. Both KNAPP and GRIFFIN fell into the scheme, and while they personated the visitors described, NOBLE loitered in the street near by with a carriage to receive the plunder. KNAPP was the one who pretended to wish to insure in the Company, and GRIFFIN stole the box. When they reached the street NOBLE received the box, and the three confederates met at his house soon after. NOBLE then gave KNAPP and GRIFFIN $46,000 worth of bonds each as an installment, and furnished them with money to go to Montreal. The gang were satisfied that the Police would track KNAPP and GRIFFIN to Canada, though they were sharp enough to know that they could not be arrested and brought back. Knowing that NOBLE had $260,000 worth of bonds to convert into money, they were easy in their terms with McDONALD, anticipating a rich harvest from the transaction. But NOBLE neglected to give them any more bonds. Though he had sold nearly all left in his hands, GRIFFIN and KNAPP only succeeded in getting fine promises as their share of the plunder. At the close of the examination, NOBLE'S counsel moved that Mrs. GRIFFIN'S evidence be excluded, as she could not give testimony against her husband, as she must do to testify against NOBLE. The point was a tenable one, and NOBLE was, of course, released. He was then arrested on a civil suit, and spent the Company's money for several weeks in Ludlow-street Jail, when he made some sort of compromise and permitted his Elmira property to be sold, and sold for the benefit of the Company. He was subsequently indicted and twice tried for the robbery in Elmira, but each time escaped conviction on technical grounds. FRANK KNAPP, one of the robbers, was the witness against NOBLE, having secured his liberty as State's evidence. The last trial of NOBLE took place in Oswego, N. Y., and was already noticed. In spite of the strong array of legal talent opposed to the prosecution by the Company, and the total absence of counsel for NOBLE. He had spent all of his money, so could see no more lawyers. Each trial and arrest had diminished his funds, so when he faced a jury for a third time there was no facile counsel present to search for flaws or watch for loopholes, and DAN was at last convicted and sent to prison. His case affords a striking instance of the desire for revenge planted in some men's hearts. GRIFFIN and KNAPP had determ

ITY, as construed by the highest authorities, there is no reason why the United States are not entitled to priority of payment of debts due it from national banks, as well as from other individuals and corporations.

The decision I believe was adverse to the Government, and the case came here for review.

Attorney-General Akerman and Assistant Attorney-General Hill for the Government; John A. Campbell and H. B. Kelly for defendants.

No. 103.—*Steamship Panama and Opinion vs. Schooner Ellen, Forrester and others.*—Appeal from the Circuit Court for the District of Maryland.—This is a cause of collision on the Chesapeake Bay, the bow of the schooner being crushed and the craft sinking, the crew having barely time to escape in a boat; the steam-ship did not stop, hail the schooner, or offer any assistance, as alleged, but continued on her course to Baltimore, and made the report of the transaction. The decree below was against the steam-ship, and she brings the case here, contending that the schooner deviated from her course contrary to the rules of navigation, and that the fault of here was the proximate and only cause of the collision. The appellees deny the fault, and insist that the rule of the road in the case clearly justifies the steamship in keeping out of the way.

Beverdy Johnson and A. S. Ridgley for appellant; H. Stockbridge opposed.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—MARCH 9.

By Judge Cardozo.

Kinsey vs. Longett et al.; motion granted.
Wilson vs. O'Neil; motion granted.
Gunterman vs. Rice; motion granted.
Stockwell vs. Bates; attachment vacated.
Crane et al. vs. Webb et al.; motion granted.
Wallace vs. Leary; the security is not sufficient; further undertaking may be given.
Weymouth vs. Dimock; memoranda.
Hallingale et al. vs. Goldstein; reference ordered.
Comings vs. Comings; memoranda for counsel.
Baling vs. King; motion denied.
Paret et al. vs. Frazer et al.; motions denied.
Grouseter vs. Dietrich; motion denied.
Smith vs. The Trow and Smith Book Manufacturing Company; memoranda for counsel.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—MARCH 9.

By Judge Jones.

Elisa Bostwick vs. Henry P. Bostwick; Phebe Ann Glover vs. William F. Glover; The Birmingham Iron Foundery vs. Henry de Casse; Daniel H. Brooks et al. vs. Bernard Katz; John F. Doelliger vs. John Lyman; Frederick Tertume vs. George Butler; William Hartmen vs. Charles A. Clark; Gertrude Berdt vs. Alexander Berdt. Orders granted.

By Judge Barbour.

Jane F. Halstead vs. David P. Halstead; Mary Pudlin vs. The Broadway and Seventh-avenue Railroad Company; cases settled.

COMMON PLEAS—GENERAL TERM—MARCH 9.

By Chief-Justice Daly, and Judges Larremore and Joseph F. Daly.

Roeig vs. Grote; judgment reversed.
The Forty-second-street and Grand-street Railroad Company; appeal dismissed without costs.
Lesser vs. Ely; judgment reversed.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—MARCH 9.

By Judge Robinson.

Wood vs. Morris; motion to set off judgment denied, with $10 costs.

MARINE COURT—PART I.—MARCH 9.

By Judge Gross.

Gardner vs. Walsh; complaint dismissed.
Turkmue vs. Knapp; judgment for plaintiff $60 88, costs and allowance.
Keogh vs. Campbell; judgment for plaintiff, costs.
Roth vs. Quinn; judgment for plaintiff, and costs.
Murphy vs. Buckley; dismissed.
Merrill vs. Entine; judgment for plaintiff $100 84, costs and allowance.
Hayles vs. Lanon; judgment for plaintiff $98 38, costs and allowance.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—IN BANKRUPTCY.

INTERLOCUTORY MOTIONS BY JUDGE BLATCHFORD.

In the matter of C. Corydon Ofner, bankrupt.—BLATCHFORD, J.—There are two specifications of objection to the bankrupt's discharge in this case. First, that he has obtained a false and fraudulent debt in favor of Alva Clarke, his father-in-law, against his estate. Second, that having knowledge that Alva Clarke had proved a false and fictitious debt against his estate, he did not disclose the same to his assignees in this matter, one month after his knowledge. I find no evidence that Clarke has proved any debt whatever against the bankrupt's estate; and the second ground, above named, fails. As to the first ground, what is meant by obtaining a debt? How does the bankrupt permit a debt? Can a debt which is not proved, be said to be admitted? In the present case, which is a very close one, the bankrupt has put a debt due to Clarke on the list of debts due by the bankrupt in the schedule offered to his petition. The twenty-sixth section provides that no discharge shall be granted if the bankrupt has admitted a false or fictitious debt against his estate, or if having knowledge that any person has proved such false or fictitious debt, he has not disclosed the same to his assignee within a month after such knowledge. I am not aware of any decision on the question here involved. Lord Eldon, in Ex parte Sowerby's case (1 Ves. and B. 143,) expressed himself clearly to the effect that bankrupts has permitted one fictitious debt to be proved, knowing it, he is not entitled to his certificate as not having made that full disclosure which justifies the Commissioner in giving and withholding required by the act." In another place he expounded his determination never to allow a certificate where it appeared that the bankrupt had knowingly suffered false debts to be found against his estate. The act under which these decisions were made was the act of 1841, (5 Ill. Geo. 2, cap. 30.) There was no specification in that act of grounds expressly for withholding a discharge. The act now before us provides that no discharge the bankrupt should have power to make a full disclosure of his estate and in all respects performed himself according to the directions of the act. Having stated numerous other distinctions, the decision proceeds to declare that in case of the English act, there is its made a ground for refusing a discharge that the bankrupt had admitted a false or fictitious debt against his estate, or had suppressed from the suppression by the bankrupt of knowledge that a false or fictitious debt has been proved against his estate. In this case the bankrupt also set forth in the schedule of his position, which was a voluntary one, the debt in favor of Clarke, which is alleged to be a false and fictitious debt; the case setting it forth was an admission of it as a debt due by him, which would be a discharge. But the burden of proof is on the objecting creditors to show that the debt was false and fictitious. The very proof they have furnished on the subject is the examination of the bankrupt himself, and I think they have failed to substantiate the allegation. A discharge is granted.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—MARCH 9.

Before Judge Cardozo.

JURISDICTION OF STATE COURTS OVER A CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST A STATE.

John C. Stockwell vs. The Treasurer of the State of Illinois, and the State of Illinois.—This was a motion to vacate an attachment issued against funds of the Treasurer of the State of Illinois, which were deposited in this City. It was never questioned that a State Court had no jurisdiction over a suit against a State, and on this ground the motion was made to vacate the attachment. Counsel for plaintiff admitted the law as cited by the other side, but contended that the State of Illinois was merely a nominal party, and might or might not be omitted. Judge CARDOZO vacated the attachment.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—MARCH 9.

Before Chief-Justice Barbour.

INCREASE OF ALIMONY.

Jane F. Halstead vs. David P. Halstead.—Twenty-five years ago these parties were divorced, and at the time of making the decree the wife was in the receipt of a handsome income from her separate property, while the defendant was not quite so prosperous. The amount of alimony, therefore, which the husband was directed to pay, was only $60 annually. In the lapse of a quarter of a century the scale of prosperity has been bearing down somewhat in favor of the defendant, and the plaintiff now applies for a readjustment of her allowance. Chief-Justice BARBOUR has now made an order awarding the plaintiff $600, cash down within twenty days, and increasing her alimony to $650 a year.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—PART I—MARCH 9.

Before Judge Loew and a Jury.

MISREPRESENTATION OF FACTS IN LIFE INSURANCE.

Rebecca L. Foote vs. The Ætna Life Insurance Company, of Hartford.—This is an action to recover $2,000 on a policy of insurance on the life of Major Alfred Foote, son of Ex-Judge Foote. The Major, according to the opening of counsel, was a brave officer in the Union Army, and had several brothers killed in the same service. The defense, it is stated, will be misrepresentations and concealment of material facts by the insured at the time the insurance was effected.

The case has just been commenced and will probably occupy several days.

Ex-Judge Emott for plaintiff; Ex-Judge Strong for defendant.

COMMON PLEAS—GENERAL TERM—MARCH 9.

Before Chief Judge Daly and Judges Larremore and Joseph F. Daly.

A DEY COW AND SUNDAY CONTRACT.

Mayer Loeb vs. John Seiger.—The plaintiff brought an action by attachment in the Fifth District Court to recover $87 on the sale of a cow. It appeared that the parties entered into an agreement in writing for the sale of a cow. Defendant subsequently discovered that he was deceived in the sale of the cow, she not giving milk, as represented, and on the 6th of November, a Sunday, the parties entered into a second agreement in writing, rescinding the first contract, in accordance with which the plaintiff delivered up a note which was given by the defendant for the price of the cow, and which was payable after the commencement of this action. In pursuance of this agreement also, plaintiff employed the defendant to keep the cow for him until she should calve, and agreed to pay him therefor $15. Some time thereafter this suit was brought for the original purchase price of the cow, ignoring the second written agreement made on Sunday. Defendant in the Court below, offered in evidence such written contract, to which plaintiff's counsel objected, upon the ground that the same was made on Sunday, and was therefore void; the objection was sustained by the court, and judgment rendered for plaintiff for the full price of the cow. To this ruling defendant's counsel excepted, and appealed to the General Term of the Common Pleas. On the argument on appeal, defendant's counsel took the ground that the agreement, although made on Sunday, was not void because under it he not was to be performed on Sunday.

The Court concided with this view, and reversed the judgment of the District Court.

Levi Cohen for plaintiff; David Levy for defendant.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART II.—MARCH 9.

Before Judge Curtis.

LOST BAGGAGE.

Charlotte Price vs. The New-York and Troy Steam-boat Company.—On the 16th of August last the plaintiff, who is a married woman, started on a visit to her sister in Troy, accompanied by her two children. She took with her wearing apparel for the three, all she had, and which was contained in an ordinary traveling trunk. She and her children arrived at their destination in safety, but the trunk and its contents she never saw again. Those articles of clothing the plaintiff values at $600, and for this amount she now seeks to recover a judgment. Besides denying the liability of the defendant, the value of the articles lost, and that a certain portion of them did not constitute necessary wearing apparel, defendant took the additional exception that she was the property of plaintiff's husband, he having given her the necessary money to make the purchase.

Judge Curtis reserved his decision.

R. F. Hope and Malcolm Campbell for plaintiff; C. D. Rust for defendant.

SIXTH DISTRICT COURT.

Before Judge Lane.

A LANDLORD AND TENANT CASE.

Probisher vs. McGovern.—In April, 1870, the defendant hired a floor in a house belonging to plaintiff, at ten per month. On the 1st of June he moved out, the plaintiff notifying him that he should hold him responsible for rent. The plaintiff averred the premises, but was unable to let them until the 1st of September, and then at reduced price. Suit was brought to recover the full amount of rent for the time the premises were vacant, for the back bills, painting, and for the defendant's use of the house for the time he occupied it. The defendant set up the time fixed by the lease, that the lease exceeded a tenancy until the 1st of May next ensuing, unless some other time was specified; and that the whitening of the premises by the landlord was for the benefit of the tenant, and did not terminate his liability for rent. The Court overruled the plea, and gave judgment for the full amount claimed, with costs.

Gibson and Bateman for plaintiff; Sullivan and Swain for defendant.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—MARCH 9.

FIRST BOARD.

$8,000 U.S.5-20s C.	111⅛	200 Pac. M. S. S. Co.	44½
18,000 U. S. 5-20 C.	111⅛	do.bet.sell.	44½
500 U. S. 5-20 C.	111⅛	20 do.	44½
10,000 U.S.5-20 C.	111⅛	100 Adams Ex.	60½
1,000 Tenn. 6s, old.	84½	25 Am.M.U.Tel.call	34½
1,000 Virginia 6s, old	50½	100 N.Y.Cen.R.R.	97½
1,000 do. 6s, old.	50½	200 do. bet. sell.	97½
1,000 N. Car. 6s, old	35½	100 do.	97½
1,000 do. 6s, new	20½	200 do.	97½
5,000 Mo. 6s, old	77½	100 Reading Railroad	101½
1,000 Virginia 6s, new	50½	1000 do.	101½
2,000 Mich. S. & N. I. 7s	80½	500 do.	101⅝
5,000 do.	80½	50 do.	101⅝
7,000 do.	80½	50 do.	101⅝
10,000 Ark. 6s, new	50½	100 do.	101⅝
1,000 Tenn. 6s, new	60½	200 do.	101⅝
2,000 N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1887	108	100 do.	101⅝
2,000 H. & St. J. 7s, 1890	107	100 do.	101⅝
10,000 C.P.R.R.R.G.S.	93½	100 do.	101⅝
17,000 do.	93½	100 Mich. Cen.	115
20,000 U. P. R. 1st m.	80	50 Fort Wayne	100
20,000 U. Pac. Ln.	70	50 do.	74½
3,000 Mich. S. & N. I.	80	50 do.	74½
11,000 A. & T. H. 2d M.	70	100 Union Pacific	20½
1,000 do.	70	100 do.	20½
1,000 do.	70	100 do.	20½
1,000 do.	70	100 do.

The New York Times.

NEW-YORK, FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 1871.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

The Mayors of Paris have guaranteed that the National Guards will surrender the cannon in their possession without complaint. The Government is conciliatory in its treatment of the disturbers of the peace. There is typhoid and plague among the cattle and horses in Paris.

The Committee on the removal of the Assembly recommended as ultimate change to Fontainebleau, but to hold sessions at Bordeaux till the Germans shall have left France. The Government persists in selecting Versailles, and will probably prevail. NAPOLEON, in a letter to the Assembly, protests against the vote that his dynasty has forfeited the throne, and says the Assembly, having been elected only to make peace, they have exceeded their powers. The Prussians have evacuated the Department of Calvados and the left bank of the Eure. Count BISMARCK is in Berlin.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

A London telegram intimates that the Russian loan may be withdrawn, as the Eastern Conference is still in session, and because fears are felt for its success in the market. The Government was assailed in the House of Lords for its clemency toward the Fenians....An explosion at Le Creusot, in France, killed eight persons....The Duke of MONTPENSIER has been ordered to Minorca by the Spanish Government, it is asserted for refusal to take the oath of fidelity to the new King.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, Rev. J. P. NEWMAN was elected chaplain. A large number of bills were introduced, including four to incorporate steam-ship companies and several to aid in the construction of railroads. Mr. SUMNER introduced a bill to guarantee equal rights to negroes in public conveyances, places of amusement, &c. A resolution was presented, but not acted upon, looking to the publication of complete information about the public lands of the country. A memorial was submitted in favor of disarmament throughout the world and the repeal of the war clauses in the Constitution.

The day was spent in the House mainly in a discussion on the repeal of the duties on salt and coal. Mr. HALE, of Maine, introduced a bill to repeal the salt duty, and subsequently took in coal as an amendment. The Pennsylvania members made every effort to impede action on the bill, and no vote was reached. Among those favoring it were Messrs. COX and WOOD of New-York, FARNSWORTH of Illinois, HALE of Maine, and PINKELNBURG of Missouri. A bill was also introduced authorizing the President to use the military and naval forces for the suppression of insurrections without a requisition from any Governor of a State, and a bill for apportioning the Representatives according to the new census. A resolution was adopted directing a survey of the harbor of Duxbury.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

Among the bills introduced in the Senate were the Canal Appropriation bills and a "Quick Transit" Railroad bill, introduced by Mr. GRANT, which is understood to be a compromise of the various conflicting schemes proposed during the session. It provides for a viaduct road, beginning near Chambers-street, running to Crosby-street, whence a branch shall run up each side of the City, through buildings, at a cost of $6,000,000 per mile, or $60,000,000 in all. A resolution requesting Representatives in Congress to urge the repeal of the law taxing State banks, was laid on the table under the rule. The Senate held an evening session on the bill to abolish the office of Superintendent of Canal Repairs, without making any progress. In the Assembly, Mr. GOODRICH endeavored to offer a resolution to discharge the Railroad Committee from further consideration of the Erie Directors' Repeal bill, but the House refused to lay down the general order of business. A motion to recommit the Brooklyn Police bill, with instructions to strike out the amendments, was offered, but, after debate, the bill was referred to the Kings County delegation. The House held an evening session.

GENERAL.

PATRICK BURNS and WILLIAM BANNISTER, miners, were smothered by gas on Wednesday night, while at work in the mines of the Tunnel Colliery near Ashland, Penn. They were both men of family and members of the Miners' Union.

A terrific tornado passed over the eastern part of St. Louis, Mo., on Wednesday afternoon. The frame-work about the abutment of the bridge was scattered like reeds and some thirty houses were demolished. Eight persons are known to have been killed and a large number of others seriously injured.

An old man, JOHN ASHFORD, and a young man named SLATTERY, were killed in a drunken brawl on Monday night last at the close of the election in Aurora, Ill.

The town meetings held in Columbia County on Tuesday, resulted in the election of twelve Democrat and eight Republican Supervisors.

The Republicans of Rhode Island held their State Convention at Providence, yesterday, and renominated the present incumbents to all the State offices.

HIRAM POOL, who killed PERKINS ADAMS in Tuolumne County, Cal., last Summer, and was acquitted, was assassinated, a few days ago, near the spot where ADAMS was killed.

The keepers of sailors' boarding-houses in San Francisco are making violent opposition to the reduction of sailors' wages by some of the vessel-owners of that City. The sailors themselves appear to be satisfied.

Gov. BIRCH, of the Island of St. Thomas, died suddenly on the 26th ult. from enlargement of the heart.

The Massachusetts Legislative Committee on Towns has unanimously reported a bill for uniting Boston, Charlestown and Somerville under one municipality, should the act be approved by a majority vote of the citizens.

It is stated that the requests that Gov. RANDOLPH, of New-Jersey, should act as arbitrator in the coal difficulties, have been quite numerous, and he came to New-York yesterday, as is supposed, to make some arrangements in the matter.

The latest information from the San Domingo Commissioners is that they left Puerto Plata on the 8th inst. for Monte Cristi.

The steamer *Vanderbilt* arrived at Albany at 2 P. M. yesterday, having been detained nine hours in a fog, but met no ice.

The Cunard steam-ship *China*, which left Liverpool on Feb. 22, and Queenstown on Feb. 23, reached this port yesterday. She brings dates later by two days than were at hand by the *City of Antwerp*.

The Church of Aggression.

It is quite evident that the Roman Catholic Church in this country is steadily and skillfully aiming at acquiring on this continent something of the power which it is losing in Europe. For this purpose, it is everywhere affiliating itself with one of our great political parties, until, in all our large cities, it has gained immense political influence. The Irish immigrant population is almost universally, by tradition and social bonds, attached to the Democratic Party. This population is, in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, intensely and bigotedly Roman Catholic in faith, and under the control of the priests. As a voting force this class holds the balance of power in our politics. Wherever they tend in our great cities, there will be victory. They are usually led by shrewd American demagogues, who are utterly indifferent on matters of religious belief, and who understand the power of the religious sentiment, and of an ancient and honored faith, in this rude class. Indeed, candor must always compel Americans to confess that there is something honorable in the attachment of this ignorant peasantry to a form of faith which has been persecuted, oppressed, and despised for so many centuries in their own land. With the Irish, undoubtedly, fealty to the Roman Catholic belief is loyalty to the faith of the oppressed as against the oppressors. To abandon it at once is treason to manhood and country.

But, while respecting this sentiment, we are bound as Americans none the less to watch and expose the ambitious plans of the priests and demagogues who manage and manipulate it. Did the Catholics, like the Episcopalians or the Methodists, simply hold their faith as a matter of religious belief or feeling, no sane mortal could have a word to say against it. The only reason the subject is ever introduced in these columns, is that this Church, unlike others, is seeking and has gained a political power which is dangerous to our future. Our frothy American "liberals" who dread to have the name of a religious belief ever mentioned in a public journal, except in praise, may as well understand that the Catholic Church of the United States is guided by men as much abler and more far-sighted than their sentimental associates, as LOYOLA was than the "Evangelicals" of his day. They aim steadily, as did the Jesuits of the Middle Ages, at the control of our schools and charities. And to secure this, and also to strengthen their political power, they follow the illustrious example of the Church in all countries and ages, and seek especially to possess large masses of real estate. Somebody has said that "whoever has control of the real estate of a country, rules that country." Nothing would give the Roman Catholic Church of the United States such power over the masses, as large possessions of land and buildings.

In all civilized countries, the steady progress of liberty and intelligence has been marked by a constant struggle against this corrupting evil of ecclesiastical property. English legislation, from the Magna Charta, by successive acts, to the celebrated statute of Mortmain of GEORGE II., has been little else than a history of incessant popular efforts to restrain ecclesiastical corporations from holding excessive properties in real estate, whether held under the title of another for their "use and trust," or whether conveyed directly to them. Spain has only been able by revolution to free herself from this incubus within a few years, and Italy is every year confiscating those burdensome ecclesiastical properties which pay no taxes, and hang like a heavy weight on the neck of the nation. In Mexico one-third of the whole real estate of the country was held by the priests, who controlled thereby every political party, and nothing but the establishment of the Republic enabled the authorities to rid the people of so burdensome an incumbrance, and compel this large interest to contribute to the taxation and education of the country.

In this State, it is estimated that $50,000,000 of real estate are held by the Roman Catholic Church. Incessant grants are made to it by our City authorities, on long leases, at merely nominal rates. Splendid cathedrals are being built for it in various cities, and it receives, under school and charity grants, constant aid from the State. The only check to this acquisition of real estate, thus far, has been the very wise provision of our general act for incorporating religious and charitable associations, limiting to a reasonable sum the value of the real estate which they are permitted to hold. This applies equally to Protestant or Catholic Churches or charities. Whenever a particular Church desires, from any cause, to possess a larger amount of real estate, it has only to propose a special act in its behalf for this purpose, to the Legislature, and the bill readily becomes law.

The Roman Catholic body have not been satisfied with this very wise provision of our laws. They now propose, through Mr. TWEED's "Bill No. 30," to take away this restriction entirely, and give any religious corporation unlimited power to hold real estate and erect school-houses, chapels, residences for the clergy, and the like, thereon. Under the present law and custom they could do this, but the accumulation of real estate in the hands of any particular Church or society would then become apparent, and this is precisely what the priests do not want. If St. Patrick's Cathedral came to control twenty millions' worth of City lots, under our present law, we should all know it. Under Mr. TWEED's bill no one could tell what wealth the Church possessed. We trust that the reasonable Protestants among the Democrats in the Legislature will oppose this new ecclesiastical encroachment, as, of course, the Republicans will do.

"Freedom of the Press."

The time is not far distant when self-interest and self-protection—to say nothing of self-respect, or the desire to promote the public welfare—will require of the honest portion of the newspaper Press a distinct refusal to have any further business transactions with the ignorant and corrupt clique of politicians who now control our Municipal Government. The shameful subordination of the Press by bribery, through the medium of advertisements, which has now become one of the leading points in the tactics of the Ring, is fast destroying all its influence with thinking people. We are apt to think harshly and to criticise severely the legal profession of the City for its lack of courage in failing to expose and denounce the corrupt Judges who have been imposed upon them by the Ring; but they, in turn, can point to the Press—a far more powerful engine, if fearlessly used, than they possess—and ask, "How many of its representatives are today eating the dirty bread of this self-same 'Ring,' and are not therewith either choked into silence, or else turned into slavish apologists and defenders of the men whom we are called upon to denounce?"

It is well known that not one-third of the journals that go to make up the daily Press of this City could exist a month if it were not for the demoralising pap known as "corporation advertising" which is doled out to them by the "Ring," and charged to the account of the tax-payers who never see the advertisements they pay for, and would be ashamed to be caught reading the sheets in which they are published. The same is true to a very large extent of the weekly Press. It is not an uncommon thing for members of the Ring to start a new daily or weekly paper solely for the purpose of making a few extra thousands out of this advertising. This is the secret of the mystery that has puzzled people how so many new journalistic enterprises could be set on foot in this City during a single year with any hope of success.

Four or five of these servile sheets are known to be largely owned and wholly controlled by the great autocrat of the Ring, TWEED. One of them, called the *Daily Transcript*, as we have heretofore shown, has grown to be a mammoth speculation, and realizes to its owners a princely fortune every year. In connection with the "New-York Printing Company," which is part and parcel of the concern, it annually filches half a million dollars from our tax-payers for useless printing and advertising, and last year, as we are advised on good authority, divided a net profit of $180,000. Upward of sixty newspapers in this City, daily, weekly, and "semi-occasional," were, during the past year participators in this Corporation pap, dealt out to them by the spoonful or bucketful, at the hands of the Ring. No paper supposed to have any influence, however insignificant, whose editor would consent to be gagged and to shut his eyes to the corruption of the City Government, failed to get his due share. It is, however, the quasi-respectable journals that do the mischief, and it is their treachery which tends to inflict an irreparable injury upon the journalistic profession. When journals that have, or have had, a character to sustain, and are supposed to rest on a footing of legitimate business prosperity, are seen hungrily gnawing at the Tammany crib, while they indite praises of notorious official rascality, the public conscience is demoralized, the Press as a conservative power for the protection of the people, loses its influence, and the entire profession of journalism is brought into disrepute.

The *Evening Post* knows as well as we know, that this very Corporation advertising, of which it takes its share, and for which it pays the Ring—now in editorial praise and now in silence—is a gross and gigantic fraud on the tax-payers of New-York. It is, moreover, a direct violation of a law enacted by the Legislature with the design of correcting a long-standing abuse. The law limited the amount of money to be expended in Corporation advertising, and restricted the number of papers that should be designated as "Corporation papers." But this law, like almost every other law, has been violated or ingeniously circumvented by the Ring, and there is now practically no limit to the money that is squandered in this direction. We are credibly informed that nearly two millions of dollars was paid out last year, or is now due from the City, for this stupendous fraud of "Corporation advertising." Not a man in the City ever read these advertisements, or can tell the names of the journals in which they appeared. Some of the newspapers that printed them have been dead, as regular publications, for years, and are only issued at intervals of once or twice a year, and then solely for the purpose of publishing Corporation advertisements and getting pay for them. It is not to be wondered at, therefore, that the *Evening Post*, participating as it does in this huge fraud on the tax-payers of the City, should feel constrained to bolster up this Ring occasionally in its nefarious schemes for aggrandizing itself and plundering the treasury.

But it is not alone in the distribution of advertising pap that the "Ring" manages to subsidize the Press of this City. The larger and more influential journals require something more; sinecure berths in the various departments of the Municipal Government have to be distributed among the staff, lest by chance something might creep into their columns detrimental to the Ring. There is not one of these active or passive Ring organs that has not its quota of stipendiaries on the pay-roll of the City, as we will undertake to show whenever Controller CONNOLLY will give us access to the carefully concealed list of names on the pay roll.

Nor is this business of gagging the Press in the interest of the Ring confined to this City; it extends all over the State, and every county has its lazy louts who either as editors or politicians, ring the praises of TWEED, SWEENY and HOFFMAN, and are paid for their services out of the pockets of our tax-payers. We shall have something to say about these country leeches hereafter.

The Monopolists and the New Congress.

Yesterday's debate in the House upon the repeal of the duties on salt and coal has many points of significance. The proposal to put salt on the free list emanated from Mr. HALE, one of the Republican representatives of Maine, and the amendment to place coal on the same footing was made by an adherent of the party no less distinguished than Mr. FARNSWORTH. We commend these facts to the consideration of those who are clamoring for party disintegration with a view to the accomplishment of revenue reform. As we have long and steadily maintained, an enlightened and progressive policy in regard to the tariff can be formed and carried out within the ranks of the Republican Party. We want in this matter a policy which shall be just to the people, to the Government, and to the manufacturers. Indirect taxes we must have for many years to come, but the country has a right to demand that they shall be so distributed as to be sources of revenue, and not the means of supporting oppressive monopolies; and that their reduction shall mainly tend to the development of our many-sided productive resources, and to the lightening of the burdens that press upon the poorest of our population. A policy like this can be advocated within the ranks of the Republican Party, and can be more satisfactorily carried out there than under any other banner. For that party is no less pledged to the maintenance of national revenue at a point where it will be sufficient for national burdens, than to the progressive decrease of the load of taxation that still presses heavily upon every class of the community. Opinions may and do differ as to the mode of combining the attainment of these two ultimate ends, and as to the relative importance which they at present possess. But they are no less truly Republicans who advocate a policy which shall lend increased elasticity to revenue by judicious reductions of fiscal burdens, than those who see in funding and debt reduction the exclusive remedies for oppressive taxation.

The advocates of sectional monopolies spoke, yesterday, under obvious apprehensions of defeat. The fact that a duty so enormous as that levied upon salt should only yield something less than two millions of dollars, and that from coal we should only derive a little over half a million, is about as strong an argument as could be urged in favor of their repeal. It proves that the enormous sums indirectly derived from the first go to feed an overgrown monopoly at the expense of national industry and individual earnings, and that the advantages thrown away by the retention of the second are tenfold greater than the slight loss entailed by abolishing it. It has been the custom of the organs of the monopolists to pooh-pooh the public advantages to be gained by bringing bituminous coal into free competition with anthracite. Mr. PLATT evidently entertains no such mean idea of the effects of free coal, since he gravely assured the House yesterday that it would "close every coal pit in Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Ohio, and throw fifty thousand laborers out of employment." Between the attempt of the member from Virginia to prove too much, and the unfortunate admissions of the spokesman of the Pennsylvania monopolists, we may conclude that the case of the extreme Protectionists is becoming hopeless, and that with a little firmness and moderation, we may hope for something really satisfactory from the present Congress in the direction of revenue reform.

Lord Brougham's Autobiography.

Lord CAMPBELL's threatened memoir "lent a new terror to death," but BROUGHAM's posthumous autobiography could hardly have been designed as an antidote, since it only covers the first thirty-three years of the writer's life. This announcement, but now made public, is a disappointment; yet on reflection it will become clear that the history of such a portion of the great Ex-Chancellor's career must be of considerable value. He who at eleven battled over a point of Latinity with LUKE FRASER, his master at the Edinburgh High School, who finished his school course before his thirteenth birthday, gained the prize offered by a German university for the best essay on the "Refraction of Light" at sixteen, and, with JEFFREY and SIDNEY SMITH, founded the *Edinburgh Review* at twenty-four, must be admitted to be a man the authentic record of whose first thirty-three years should be valuable, whatever the splendor of his subsequent achievements.

That which gave BROUGHAM the greatest fame, won in the first half of his life—namely his exertions as chief adviser of Queen CAROLINE, in 1820-1—could not, of course, be treated by him in this autobiography. It, however, includes, besides those bright years of early literary distinction, the time when he, with HORNER, JEFFREY and the rest, was a member of the Speculative Club; the time when he published his *Inquiry into the Colonial Policy of the European Powers*; when he first went to London, as counsel in the matter of the disputed succession of the Dukedom of Roxburgh; when, as a consequence of this visit, he resolved to settle in London, and hence was called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn; when he first gained political standing and influence by his speech before the House of Lords as counsel for certain merchants who complained of injuries inflicted by the "Orders in Council;" when he first, as member for Camelford, took his seat in the House of Commons; when he made himself conspicuous by speeches in favor of Catholic Emancipation, of reform in the Government of India, and against flogging in the army; and, lastly, when to his eternal honor he took that stand on the subject of human bondage—originally by the introduction of a resolution requesting the King to take decisive action to suppress the slave-trade—which led to universal agitation and to emancipation in the West Indies.

Besides these notable events, associated with the period covered by the forthcoming autobiography, there are others less memorable, but possessing definite literary interest. The first of BROUGHAM's two defenses of LEIGH HUNT, for alleged libels upon the Government, falls within the limits, and so do some of his most unique researches and enterprises in science. It is in every sense a matter for congratulation that this extraordinary and versatile man should have left behind him a memoir which is likely to shed more light upon the growth and maturity of his character and purposes than any materials supplied by contemporaries.

The Small-Pox Hospital.

We observe the reassuring statement that during the week ending March 4 there has been a decrease of eleven cases of small-pox, as compared with the unusually high total of the previous week. It is not, however, pretended that forty-one new cases represented the true sum of last week's seizures. If it did, it would be somewhat alarming to find that during a fortnight marked by ninety-three seizures, there had been forty deaths from this cause. A contemporary whose tacit or expressed agreement with the Ring appears to cover the whitewashing of City Boards, makes the following admission: "The tendency to keep visitations of this character secret is one of the greatest difficulties with which the authorities have to contend, although they are confident that no case of small-pox can exist in the City for any length of time undiscovered." This paper, in its new character of apologist for local misrule, thinks it very wicked that many persons, in their affection for a sick relative, should "persist, in spite of all admonitions, to secretly harbor an infectious disease." This is very exquisite fooling. Let this writer draw upon some of the resources of a fertile imagination, and put himself in the place of an unfortunate victim of small-pox in this City. As soon as the Sanitary Inspector has been informed of his case, an ambulance is sent, and, unless in the highly improbable event of his friends being able to convince the authorities that "perfect isolation" is possible at home, he is removed. From that moment everything that can be done to diminish his chances of recovery is most ingeniously provided for.

The "ambulance" hardly protects him against the inclemency of the weather. The men intrusted with his conveyance hastle him to the boat which has to convey him to the hospital with rather less consideration than they would bestow upon a felon. The guardians of the public health are simply concerned with getting him out of the way. If he has to walk from the boat to the gate of the hospital, that is no business of theirs. Should he be unable to walk, he can lie on the ground till some one arrives whose duty it is to pick him up. Everybody else will shun him as they would certain death. Arrived at the hospital, he finds himself regarded as an unwelcome intruder, for the place is already packed to twice its normal capacity. His bed may be next that of a patient whose case is hopeless, and whose loathsome presence is therefore avoided by the hired attendants, unless when they are unwillingly compelled to lift him from the floor to which his delirious contortions have brought him. So long as conscious thought is possible, the horrors of his situation are aggravated by the thought of the suspense which parents, or wife, or children are enduring on his account—a suspense which may have to be endured for weeks to come without hope of alleviation. Its duration may certainly be shorter, for every third patient, at least, who enters here goes out a corpse. And then, when the worst has come, the dead body is denied the last offices of friendship, and is hustled out as the living patient was hustled in, with the slenderest possible regard to decency or human feeling.

It is doubtless very wrong, as the paper in question insists, to conceal the existence of a small-pox case in a dwelling. But who are to blame for the scruples and sufferings of the friends of plague-stricken patients? It is the merest nonsense to lecture the public upon its duties when no attempt is made to remind the local authorities of the gross neglect of theirs. It may be impossible ever to deprive a small-pox hospital of all its essential drawbacks, or to frame its regulations in a way that might fully satisfy anxious friends. But it is possible to reduce the present rate of mortality at Blackwell's Island by at least one-half, and in huddling patients into a place already so fearfully overcrowded, the Board of Health are as clearly inviting death as their servants are in leaving disinfectant poisons in the homes of the poor without label or intelligible directions. The charges against the local health guardians are strong enough to deter even a Tombs lawyer from the attempt to varnish their case, were they on trial for a State Prison offense.

MINOR TOPICS.

There is one thing which we hope everybody will take notice of, and it is this—the charges against Mr. DAVID DUDLEY FIELD do not rest upon hearsay, or narrow interpretations of the relations which should exist between lawyer and client, but upon a solid mass of testimony which no amount of ingenuity can explain away. We do sincerely trust that Rev. H. WARD BEECHER will read Gen. BARLOW's business-like statements, and see how they bear upon Brother SHEARMAN's case. We think he will come to the conclusion that there is great need for the prayers of the church in that quarter. The great majority of lawyers feel as Gen. BARLOW feels in reference to the Field firm, and now that the siege has been fairly opened we may anticipate a speedy reduction of the fortifications. We have worked pretty hard for some years past to accomplish this result, as our readers will bear witness, and we do not believe that a newspaper ever worked in a much better cause. We are inclined to think that the system of "justice" which Mr. FIELD has helped to introduce is fast crumbling to pieces. Mr. FIELD does, indeed, roundly characterize the summing up of Gen. BARLOW's letters as "separate and distinct" falsehoods. Yes, yes—it is very easy to say that; but how about the evidence, Mr. FIELD? Your kind of practice in the Erie cases has led you to disregard evidence a little too much, but the public are not in the pay of FISK and GOULD, and you ought, by this time, to begin to understand that the general verdict is going against you. Before some tribunals nothing is simpler than to dispense with facts—but before the bar of public judgment it does not suffice to break down a powerful indictment to launch the withering sarcasm at a chief witness that he is a "person." Let us hope we shall soon hear from the Bar Association.

A recent number of the *Scientific American* contained an article on the Central Park, in the course of which it pointed out the mischief likely to arise from the removal of the original Commissioners—the men who made the Park what we see it today. Our contemporary points out that these Commissioners had made the improvement of the Park a special study for some years, and it adds—"their departure from the conduct of affairs awakens the fear that the artistic and scientific value of the Park may be sacrificed as great favorite." The *Scientific American* must have a talk with Mr. PETER COOPER and NATHANIEL PARKS, and read the *Evening Post* diligently, and then it will come to the conclusion that the Jobbing Commissioners—Col. SHEARMAN and his colleagues—really know nothing about "running" a Park, but that the proper persons to do it are Mr. SWEENY and TOM FIELDS, especially TOM FIELDS, the gentleman who introduced a resolution into the Assembly, the other day, for placing the United States under the special protection of St. Patrick. The name of the Central Park is shortly to be changed to "St. Patrick's Park," and Mr. FIELDS will try to repeat in that spot the glories which the saint won for himself, as all our readers doubtless very well remember, in Ui-Amhaighadha and Caille-Fochladh—more power to them!

Judge BEDFORD has well followed up his attack upon the disreputable lawyers who hang about many of our City Courts. Yesterday a "professional gentleman" named E. J. ANDERSON had a bill presented against him, for obtaining money under false pretenses, and he was committed to the Tombs, in default of finding bail for $5,000. Well done, Judge BEDFORD! Between one thing and another, there is a prospect at last of the purification of the New-York Bar. Young lawyers ought to rejoice at the change, for a great scandal now rests upon a noble profession, and the public cannot always discriminate between the good men and the bad. Recorder HACKETT and Judge BEDFORD have both done their best many a time to clear the Bench of the stains which rest upon it, and when the work is finished, the public will not be unmindful of what it owes to them.

The action of the Republican State Committee yesterday will, we believe, be received with great approval by all honest Republicans. Their proposals are fair, and one of their resolutions is calculated to give us the reform which is now so greatly needed. It runs thus: "No person holding office, whose commission or appointment is issued or made by or under Democratic authority, shall be eligible to any office in any of the said Republican associations, or be a member of the Republican General Committee of the City of New-York." This will be satisfactory to all but the Tammany leaders and their hirelings.

It is only $1,200,000 that Mr. TWEED wants this time. The money is for Croton water-pipes, and Mr. CONNOLLY is to be empowered to issue bonds to raise the amount. The citizens must have patience with these little devices for "raising the wind." As soon as the new Commission is appointed, and there is no substantial check upon the taxes to be raised by an order of four men, there will be no necessity to bring these bills into the Legislature. The Croton water-pipes will do as well as anything else to conduct a fresh supply of the needful into TWEED's "palatial mansion."

A memorial has been presented to the United States Senate, recommending "a general disarmament throughout the world." The moment is very opportune for this memorial. Germany has found out that it does no good to keep a large standing army. Russia will, doubtless, be glad of any excuse for disbanding hers. France will agree to do without an army until she recovers the means to raise one. England has resolved to increase her forces, but that was before the memorial was presented. Even the Swiss Republic has been taking pains to increase the efficiency of her military system. Altogether, the "thousand years of peace" seem very likely to date from the 10th of March, 1871.

The party who "slashes" American books for the *Saturday Review*, without the formality of reading anything more than the title-page, has been at it again. We commend to the notice of the citizens of Brooklyn, the following strictures upon one of the third volume of the local history of Mr. STILES. "It (Brooklyn) has no traffic, no business, no character, no independent being of its own, and might, at most, deserve a chapter in the history of the Empire City. * * * We note it (the book) as being, perhaps, the most signal example we have seen of the absurdities of which local self-glorification in America is capable." This is a style of criticism which would be ridiculous even if adopted toward the labors of the antiquarian of an English village. It forms a fair sample of the combination of impudence and contentious ignorance that characterizes the statements of a cheap city journal on matters of still greater importance relating to this country.

There is something rather melancholy in the persistent attempts of the Ex-Emperor of the French to keep himself before the people. Declarations, protests and appeals have a hollow ring about them when emanating from a man so completely dead in a political sense as LOUIS BONAPARTE is at this moment. Rejection of his own claims or of those of his dynasty scarcely comes within the range of historical possibilities. The Napoleonic idea belongs to the past as thoroughly as the Augustan splendor of LOUIS QUATORZE, and has lost quite as effectually its power to control the thought or attract the sympathies of the new generation in France. The Emperor makes a frantic appeal for a popular vote. The denial will probably serve him in good stead as a grievance on which to hang manifestoes during the rest of his life.

DAVID DUDLEY FIELD.

More About His Connection with the Erie Suits.

We have over and over again pointed out in these columns that the circumstance in Mr. FIELD's case which places it outside the ordinary range of controversy respecting the duty of a lawyer towards his client is this—Mr. FIELD is accused of going into Courts with suits in which his clients are known to be in collusion with the Judge. He is thus charged with being a party to the corruption. The abstract question, how far a lawyer may justifiably go in defense of his client, cannot touch such a point as this. The real issue is, has a lawyer a right to carry on the pretense of pleading before a Court which he knows has a secret understanding with his client?

Mr. FIELD lately defied Mr. BOWLES to produce a lawyer or Judge who condemned his (Mr. FIELD's) professional connection with the Erie suits. He would have been on safer ground, as regards the truth, if he had declared that there was no honest lawyer or Judge who did not condemn the course he has pursued. Let any of our readers ask an upright lawyer privately what he thinks of Mr. FIELD's conduct, and we will undertake to say that in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred the decision will be against Mr. FIELD. Try it; almost everybody knows a lawyer, and the question is easily put.

At last, however, one lawyer comes boldly forth to denounce Mr. FIELD, and to call for the interference of the Bar Association. Gen. FRANCIS C. BARLOW, a man of high character and reputation—although Mr. FIELD sneers at him as "that person"—has given a narrative of some of the Erie cases in which Mr. FIELD has been concerned. This narrative is not by any means complete, and Gen. BARLOW does not pretend that it is, but it supplies a very startling commentary on Mr. FIELD's wonderful statement that he was "never consulted beforehand about any transaction whatever" in which FISK and GOULD were concerned, and to which "any exception has been taken."

We refrain today from making any further comment of our own on Gen. BARLOW's indictment, in order that we may lay before our readers the following passages from it. We hope that these extracts will be read carefully, for they deserve all the time that can be devoted to them:

"What has affected Mr. FIELD's reputation among the honorable members of the Bar is not that he appears as counsel for FISK and GOULD, but that he conducts their litigations in defiance of all rules of professional honor and common honesty: That he is concerned in the bringing of all manner of fraudulent and oppressive suits and proceedings before them in this tribunal—a tribunal in which there is no pretense of justice: That he drags his opponents before Judges whom he himself denounces as corrupt, and whose relations with the Erie managers are generally believed (whether justly or unjustly) not to be such as should exist between a Judge and a party before him: and that he takes advantage of these relations to obtain orders, and injunctions, and relief, which are not warranted by the law and which he could not obtain from any unbiased Judge. It is nothing against a man that he sometimes obtains orders which are reversed as erroneous. All lawyers do that. But allowing for the errors that every lawyer is liable to, yet, if he habitually takes, and obtains orders and relief which turn out not to be in accordance with the law, I ask how, considering the frequency and monstrousness of Mr. FIELD's Erie proceedings, and the Judge from whom the greater part of his extraordinary orders are obtained, and all the attendant circumstances, any man can escape the conclusion that his connection in the Erie Ramsey cases were nothing else than fraudulent attempts to defeat Ramsey by fraudulent means instead of making him fairly in the Courts? If Mr. FIELD's reputation for honesty be not wholly baseless, he could not have believed that the cases of Erie vs. Ramsey had foundation either in the law or the facts, or that the other proceedings I have mentioned were the honest and honorable conduct of a litigation. It is for the public to say whether his acts do not irresistibly lead to the conclusion that he knew they were acts of injustice, and that he intended that they should be accepted Erie retainers—so they have and so they properly may—but before Mr. FIELD can avail himself even of the poor excuse that other people are like himself, let him show us any such proceedings as those above stated, in which any respectable lawyer has been engaged.

But, it may be said, does Mr. FIELD really hold the opinion of Judge BARNARD which is commonly entertained? Upon this point let us hear Gen. BARLOW:

"This is not the place to discuss the character of Mr. Justice BARNARD. It is enough to say that a large and respectable part of the community believe him to be devoted to the interests of the Erie managers, and that in their cases he does not sit upon the bench to hear impartially and to decide according to the law and the evidence; and this belief is not likely to be weakened by a contemplation of the proceedings above detailed. It is useless for Mr. FIELD to question this judgment, or to call for proofs to sustain it. The matter may reasonably be left in this way: Those who believe that Judge BARNARD is generally pure, and that his orders and proceedings in these particular cases have been made fairly and impartially, will give Mr. FIELD the benefit of this belief. Those who are of a contrary opinion will inferentially be influenced by it in forming an opinion of Mr. FIELD's proceedings, and of the motives and intentions with which the various orders and injunctions were obtained. For the character and conduct of this Judge have this bearing on the discussion. Mr. FIELD says that what the law is, is to be determined by the Courts and not by his critics, and that when he obtains an order from a Judge, he is entitled to the presumption that such order is legal. All this is true, supposing the Judge to be honest. With those who believe that he is as politician with one party or the other, or even generally corrupt and open to improper influences, the argument fails.

But whatever the general opinion, or the truth of the matter may be, Mr. FIELD is not in a position to make any question as to the corruption of Judge BARNARD on the bench. A Judge is selected for these litigations, when he is at least, believe in the disputes. Some three years ago a bitter enmity existed between this Judge and FISK and GOULD. They were guilty of a contempt of his injunctions, and he drove them out of the State into New-Jersey. Suddenly these hostilities ceased, and a close alliance between the parties followed. Mr. FIELD was then, as now, the counsel for these people. Before this change of relations he publicly denounced Judge BARNARD as unfit to sit on the bench, and demanded and took steps toward his impeachment, and also made various charges against him to the Governor of the State, and he will not even now venture to say that he believes Judge BARNARD to be an upright officer.

And not only this, but there are judicial proceedings from which we may gather Mr. FIELD's opinion on this subject. In the suit of BELDEN vs. CORNELIUS VANDERBILT, GEO. G. BARNARD and others, in 1868, (in which suit Mr. FIELD was counsel and the active manager for the plaintiff, though Mr. SHEARMAN was the attorney of record,) Judge BARNARD was made a party defendant, on the ground, as set forth in the complaint, "that a combination had been entered into between the defendants, VANDERBILT, BARNARD, and others, to speculate in the stocks of

the Bar in Westchester, and to use the present Court-House for the purpose of holding their consultations, for which purpose they had several consultations together, in which it was agreed that said WORK, as agent for said conspirators, should bring actions and other proceedings in the Courts in which some of the directors of the road should be removed and a receiver appointed. That in pursuance of said conspiracy certain injunctions were granted,' &c., &c., &c. The injunctions referred to as granted 'in pursuance of a conspiracy' were granted by Mr. Justice BARNARD.

This suit, of course, is not conclusive as to Mr. FIELD's opinion of the Judge before whom he arraigned Mr. RAMSEY. It is, of course, possible that counsel may conduct a litigation in which a Judge is charged with conspiring with others to use the process of the Court of which he was a Judge to further a stock speculation—while the (the counsel) believes as a matter of fact that such Judge is a pure and upright officer. It is, of course, is possible. But every man is entitled to the presumption that he will not be concerned, even as counsel, in blackening the character of a man whom he believes to be pure. And giving Mr. FIELD the benefit of this presumption, we must believe that in 1868, at all rate, he did not believe Mr. Justice BARNARD to be a judge before whom a honest lawyer would drag men and revenge against his will.

And in addition to Mr. FIELD's opinions as to the purity of the Judge before whom he brought and sought to retain this litigation, he certainly knew that Judge BARNARD's feelings toward RAMSEY were not such as a Judge ought to have toward a litigant before him. Some months before the bringing of Ramsey's suit against Dole was tried, the following colloquy took place in Court between Mr. SHEARMAN and Judge BARNARD, this Mr. FIELD knew:

Mr. SHEARMAN—I intend to follow these men, (RAMSEY and others;) I shall follow these men, if it be necessary and possible, to the end of time.

Judge BARNARD—Mr. Sheearman, I shall do this Bench, and would as soon devote them to this as to anything else.

Mr. SHEARMAN—I am a young man yet; I think I ought to have about forty years longer to live, and if necessary I am willing to use every one of those years in pursuit of those gentlemen.

And yet when RAMSEY's counsel objected to trying the case before Judge BARNARD, in October, 1870, on the ground, among other things, that the feelings of the Judge had become so enlisted against RAMSEY that he could not act impartially, Mr. FIELD insisted on going on.

Consider this thing for a moment: All the orders of any importance in the Susquehanna and Ramsey-Erie litigation (except one, which was unobjectionable in itself, and the fraud of which was in its use,) were granted by Judge BARNARD. He is sought in other branches of the Court to do work which properly belongs to the Judge sitting at Chambers. The case is absolutely appropriated to him, and subpœnas and unauthorized proceedings are resorted to to prevent other Judges from having jurisdiction to do with it. Judge BARNARD is sent for in a hurry from Poughkeepsie to sign orders late at night. By means of the telegraph orders are obtained from him in a litigation 150 miles off, instead of applying to the Judge at hand. Everywhere and under all circumstances this Judge is brought into the case, and it is the same in nine-tenths of the other suits of FISK and GOULD. And who is the Judge thus persistently called into these cases? Is he a man whom the counsel for FISK and GOULD believes to be eminent for purity and judicial fitness? One would think so from the eagerness with which he is sought. But no; he is a man whom that counsel has publicly denounced as a corrupt and deserving of impeachment! Will any sane man believe that counsel who have this opinion of a Judge seek him with any honest or honorable motives? It is clear that this Judge was especially sought for by one side or the other. I don't believe Mr. FIELD will claim that it was RAMSEY who preferred him, or that the matters came before him in the natural and orderly course of events."

In connection with the Ramsey suit, Gen. BARLOW makes the following remarks:

"No one objects to Mr. FIELD's defending the suit, or defeating it by disproving Mr. RAMSEY's allegations or questioning his law. What every honest man does object to is the depriving Mr. RAMSEY, by the means above described, of an opportunity of making good either his facts or his law. These proceedings of Mr. FIELD were not defending a suit; they were cheating a man out of even the right to bring a suit. *This may be harsh language, but no other language will do justice to the case. Let Mr. Field deny the facts above stated if he can. If not, let the public decide whether the language used is not justified by these facts. It is time for the members of the New-York Bar, if they care for the dignity and honorable name of their profession, to call things by their right names, and to speak very plainly of some of the Judges and some of the lawyers. If men would tell half what they know, there are some Judges who would never dare to appear again on the Bench. And if by any proceeding it were possible to compel some persons to testify who are now reluctant to speak, a mass of corruption would emerge which would astound even the immunity of the thought that their liberties and fortunes are at the mercy of such men. The Bar is to blame for this silence.* It belongs to every profession to purify itself, and there is no profession or guild in the world which would have permitted the professional misconduct of leading members of the Bar (and of the Bench) to go unrebuked, as has the legal profession in this City."

Finally, Gen. BARLOW sums up his statement in the following language:

"The only object of the writer is to give some of the facts which Mr. FIELD calls for, with sufficient comments to make them intelligible. They will therefore be left for the judgment of the public without further remark. Most of the matters stated in the foregoing letters are matters of record or of sworn testimony. In one or two instances I have appealed to Mr. FIELD himself as to the truth of certain matters of general notoriety, as, for instance, whether he does not believe, and has not often publicly expressed his belief, that Judge BARNARD is a corrupt judge, fit only to be impeached, and as to whether the order appointing FISK and COURTER Receivers, was not signed by Judge BARNARD under the circumstances above detailed.

Mr. FIELD may say that those who charge him with professional misconduct must supply their own proofs. To this I answer that when a man's reputation is in question he must not fall back upon the strict rules of evidence. If he invites public criticisms at all he must answer fully. There has been a great deal of comment upon Mr. FIELD's professional conduct. He chooses to enter into the discussion, and to defend himself by calling for facts. He will be expected to furnish freely all such information as bears upon his statements at issue, or his refusal to answer will be held to show that the truth cannot be told with advantage to himself. When, for example, I have shown the peculiar circumstances of Judge BARNARD's coming down from Poughkeepsie on the night when FISK and COURTER were appointed receivers, who will tolerate any explanation from him which does not include an explanation of where his partner STERLING went to get the order signed, and why Judge BARNARD was sent for when there were three or four other Judges of the Supreme Court living in the City.

In conclusion, I wish to say this: Mr. FIELD says in his letter to Mr. BOWLES of Jan. 19, that all the persons to whom he has shown the Bowles correspondence, and all those to whom he has received letters on the subject, approve his course, and he challenges the production of one respectable lawyer or Judge who says he is wrong. I challenge him to name any lawyer or Judge who will say that he has examined Mr. FIELD's proceedings in the cases above referred to and thinks them honorable. He has appealed to this method of decision, and the burden of proof is on him. It is not enough for him to parade opinions on general questions of legal ethics. What is wanted are opinions on the precise facts of his own conduct from those who will say they have looked into those facts. When he has named his vouchers the public will first inquire whether they are themselves men of honorable reputations; if they are their opinions will have just weight with those who are willing to take this matter of an authority, without forming their own opinions on the facts. Until Mr. FIELD does this he should not call for opinions on the other side. And I may further say that this is not a case where the testimony of experts is needed. The public can as well judge of the propriety of Mr. FIELD's conduct as can lawyers."

Personal.

CLARK MILLS, of Washington, the sculptor, is visiting New-York, and is being entertained by Capt. ALBERT DEGROOT.

Baron Boilleau, French Minister at Lim, Peru, and Francis B. Hayes, President of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Company, are at the Brevoort House. Lord Willoughby, of England; Hon. F. E. Woodbridge, of Vermont; Hon. R. W. Daniels, of Buffalo, and Ben. Field, of Albion, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel. Judge Jones, of Scranton; Gen. S. J. Anderson, of Maine; Hon. John B. Brown, of Portland, and Rev. Dr. J. C. Backus, of Baltimore, are at the Grand Central Hotel. Hon. R. D. Wright, of Pennsylvania; T. B. Harrison, of Baltimore; and Col. King, of Philadelphia, are at the New-York Hotel. Hon. H. L. Day, of Ohio; Hon. H. H. Benedict, of Connecticut, and J. C. Thompson, of Philadelphia, are at the Metropolitan Hotel. C. Catacazy, the Russian Minister; Hon. L. G. Farwell, of Chicago; Paymaster A. J. Clark, of the United States Navy; Hon. G. H. Pierce, of New-Hampshire, and Hon. Francis Lawley, of London, are at the Hoffman House.

Fifteenth Assembly District Republican Association.

A meeting of the Fifteenth Assembly District Union Republican Association was held last evening, in the half corner of Eighth-avenue and Thirty-third-street, Mr. ROBERT WAKEFIELD, Vice-President, in the chair. Nothing of importance was done. At the close of the proceedings of the Association and its Executive Committee, the third meeting of the Grant Club of the district was held, Capt. GEORGE W. DE CUNHA presiding. Sixteen delegates were elected to attend the next meeting of the Central Grant Club, and the meeting adjourned.

ALBANY.

The Canal Appropriation Bills Introduced.

Rapid Transit in a Tangible Form in the Senate.

A Bill for Viaduct Roads on Both Sides of the City—Another Sharp Contest Over the Brooklyn Police Bills.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Canal Bills—Croton Water—A City Charter Bill—Rapid Transit—Protection of Women—The Brooklyn Police.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, March 9, 1871.

The Canal Appropriation bills were, this morning, introduced by Senator HARDENBURGH, and are the result of long consideration and extensive experience. The Democratic Party are not safe upon their canal policy, and they are working with a care, extraordinary in that party, to reduce the expenses of the canal to the lowest possible figure. The Appropriation bills are this year very large, because of the refusal of the Governor last year to sign the bill providing for the ordinary repairs. The bill abolishing the office of Canal Superintendent was, at that time, a rider to the bill, and so opposed was the Democracy to that measure, that they killed the most necessary bill of the year. The result of thus refusal upon the part of His Excellency was that the Treasurer was forced to borrow money from the banks to pay the necessary claims made upon him, and paid for the loans so obtained seven per cent. At the time this money was borrowed and this interest paid, there lay in the vaults of the very banks from which the money was obtained some two millions of State money upon which the State was receiving but four per cent. interest. Thus the State was losing some $20 each day by the neglect of the Governor to sign the bill. It has always appeared a grave error that while the sinking fund of the State held millions of money ready for use, the curious policy of the canal power has been to refrain from using it, and borrow whatever was needed, at a rate of interest some two or three per cent. in advance of the interest received.

CROTON WATER PIPES.

Senator TWEED introduces a bill to extend the financial power of the Board of Public Works. It would seem that the Croton Department require more pipe, and to enable them to obtain this very necessary adjunct to their power to distribute water, they ask that the Controller be empowered to issue bonds to the amount of $1,000,000, for the purpose of buying and laying the necessary pipe. If the pipe is as effectually laid in the City of New-York as it will be in the City of Albany by the Honorable proposer of this bill, the citizens will certainly have no reason to complain.

MAINE LAWS.

A new cry for a Maine law comes surging down from Madison County, and proposes, by a bill introduced by Mr. KILHAM, to prevent the sale of all spirituous liquors in this State, except for mechanical and medicinal purposes. The last trial of this kind resulted so disastrously to our temperance friends that it seems a little fatuous in them to again try, but old theories find new supporters, and with their fresh seal they may found the Utopia they propose. In opposition to this bill is one introduced by Mr. SWEENY, of Schoharie, which proposes to open still wider the gates, and let whisky flow from every inn without restriction, and without safeguards. This latter measure does away with the necessity that now gives the people a quasi protection from the selection of persons of loose character to dispense the poison, and does away with the necessity of a publican's obtaining the twenty freeholders that is now a prerequisite to sign his application and vouch forth is integrity. The whole matter is left, upon the mere application of the hotel-keeper, to the Board of Commissioners.

COMMON PLEAS.

A bill by Mr. FERAR gives additional power to the Court of Common Pleas of New-York. The Judges are henceforth to have the power of the County Judge or Judges of the County Court in New-York, and the power of the Supreme Court in cases of summons service in other counties in the State.

RAPID TRANSIT.

The bill of the year upon this subject is introduced, and with Mr. SWEENY at its head proposes a viaduct road through a new avenue. Every other project is weak and tame beside it. Even the Genet bill of a few weeks ago bows before this new giant, and as for the little matters of Pneumatic and Arcade that have vexed the Legislature for the past year, they are as helpless as Hindoos before the car of Juggernaut. Senator TWEED tells me it is *the* bill, while GENET, in equally expressive terms, tells of its certain success. Whether the other bills will remain, now that the King has come, is not certain, but since those who have built golden hopes upon legislative action seem unable to get away from the enticement that holds them here, they will probably float around until, broken from their moorings, they drift into the unrealities of the past.

PROTECTION OF WOMEN.

The following very important bill was ordered to a third reading in the Senate:

To provide redress for words imputing unchastity to a female.

SECTION 1. An action may be maintained by a female, whether married or single, to recover damages for words imputing unchastity to her, and it shall not be necessary to allege or prove special damages in order to maintain such action. In such actions a married woman may sue alone, and any recovery therein shall be her sole and separate property.

SEC. 2. This act shal. take effect immediately.

It was introduced by Senator HARDENBURGH, and it is so just that it is very remarkable that legislation upon the subject has been so long delayed. As the law now is, no woman can recover for the most slanderous remarks concerning her purity unless she can prove special damages. This, in all cases difficult, is in this practically impossible, and so the meanest of slanderers go unpunished. This bill makes the words charging unchastity actionable *per se*, as the word "thief" now is when applied to a person. The bill met with no opposition except a joking one from Senator HARPENDING, who proposed that it should apply to all persons, as he was fearful the Governor might veto it in its present condition as an act of special legislation.

The Canal Superintendent Bill—The Old System Coming in Favor—A Drill-Park for the First Division National Guard—Madison-Avenue Extension—The Latest Railroad Scheme.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, March 9.—The Canal Superintendent bill was a special order for this evening, and was extensively discussed by Senators LEWIS and KENNEDY upon the Republican side, and Senator HARDENBURGH on the Democratic. It seems as if the bill would become a party one, although last year both parties supported it. The old idea of letting out to a company the entire charge of keeping the canals in repair for a certain sum and then ganging the tolls at a rate that will pay such amount and the interest on the canal debt, is coming in favor, and Senator WOOD has prepared a long speech advocating it. This was a favorite theory of the canal men in the late State Convention, but was considered impracticable, such men as Gov. ALVORD doubting greatly its availability. The contractors are here to ask for a return to the old system. BURDEN and Dr. DENNISON are actively present, and, with WILLARD JOHNSON, make up a team of contractors that, for power and ability, cannot be matched in this or any other State. The bill was made a special order for next Tuesday evening.

A NEW-YORK DRILL-PARK.

A joint meeting of the Senate Committee on Municipal Affairs, and the House Committee on Cities, was held this afternoon in Mr. TWEED's room, for the purpose of a hearing upon the bill to establish a parade ground for the First Division of the National Guard. Gen. SHALER and other military chiefs were present, and stated their belief that such a park was absolutely necessary to properly drill the men. No conclusion was arrived at at the time, but as the bill was reported in the Senate this evening, it will probably pass.

MADISON-AVENUE.

The bill to extend Madison-avenue, from Seventeenth to Twenty-third streets, that passed last Winter, is now to be repealed, and a bill to that effect went through the Senate this morning, and was reported by Mr. FERAR, this evening, in the House. The people are to be congratulated on the easy manner in which they have been relieved from the burdens of last year's legislation.

The new road for the City of New-York is a grand thing. It costs three millions a mile, is to be built in three years, is forty feet wide, carries four tracks—two for through, and two for local trade. Stores are to be constructed under it, whose rent will measurably reduce the interest on the investment. English capitalists have signified their desire to contribute the necessary money. Mr. TWEED is in favor of the City becoming a stockholder, and believes that the only certain way to secure its completion. He has no doubt of the passage of the bill, however, and he will suggest the above amendment.

To the Associated Press.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 9.—At a meeting of the Joint Railroad Committee, this afternoon, Mr. COLEMAN and his assistant, who had been sent by the Committee to observe, reported that, in running from this city to New-York, the average time lost in making stops at all stations was one minute and fifty-two seconds. This test was suggested by one of the witnesses giving it as his opinion that the time lost would be equal to eight minutes. The Committee agreed with Superintendent PIERSON to chase all testimony on Tuesday next, when the next meeting will be held.

THE BROOKLYN POLICE BILL.

The Kings County Delegation met this afternoon to consider the Police bill referred to them by the Assembly. Mr. JACOBS was appointed Chairman. Senators MURPHY and PIERSON expressed themselves as opposed to any bill increasing the pay of the Police. A long discussion followed, Messrs. JACOBS and ROCHE insisting on the amendments they had supported and carried in the Assembly, but the majority, with an occasional scattering vote, insisted on no increase, and the bill was ordered to be reported without the amendments.

NO REPRIEVE FOR JOHN THOMAS.

JOHN A. GOELET, the counsel for the negro JOHN THOMAS, under sentence of death, to be executed in New-York to-morrow, appeared before Chief-Justice CHOATE, in Chambers, asking for a stay of proceedings. The Chief-Justice rendered his decision at midnight, last night, refusing the application. The Governor has also refused to grant a further respite.

THE VIADUCT RAILWAY.

Text of the Bill Introduced in the Senate Yesterday—A $60,000,000 Rapid Transit Railroad Proposed.

ALBANY, March 9.—The following is Senator GENET's Railroad bill, introduced today, and said to be the result of a conference of all persons interested:

An Act to incorporate the Viaduct Railway Company for the purpose of providing rapid transit through the City of New-York and the adjacent counties, and to provide for the construction and operation of the railways.

Therefore, The People of the State of New-York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Peter B. Sweeny, William M. Tweed, Jr., Hugh Smith, Richard B. Connolly, Forbes Holland, Sheppard F. Knapp, John I. Serrell, Leopold Sedlitz, James S. Burnett, William B. Travers, George A. Green, Jacob Sharp, Clement C. Moore, Jr., James G. Bennett, Jr., Simeon B. Chittenden, Wilson F. Hunt, John T. Agnew, Henry Hilton, John McB. Davidson, Aaron J. Vanderpoel, Marc Eidlitz, William Barnes, Jr., Henry Smith, Manton Marble, John Taylor Johnson, Dewald Ottendorfer, Richard Schell, William Butler Duncan, William B. Martin, Horace Greeley, Charles A. Dana, James Turner, Walter Shanly, Edward R. Wesley, Theodore Fardey, Henry Smith, William Turnbull, George M. Van Nort, Edward K. Willard, James M. Sweony, Edward H. Tracy, Gustave Herter, William T. Blodgett, Bernard Kelly, Henry N. Smith and Walter Leonard are hereby created a body corporate and politic, by name or branches respectively, and it shall be lawful for said directors to issue and sell bonds denominated "income bonds," secured by and payable with interest thereon from the income of the said railways or branches respectively.

SEC. 14. This act shall take effect immediately.

THE EXPRESS ROBBERY.

A Week's Development in the Trial of Filkins, at Albany—Summary of the Evidence for the Prosecution.

The taking of the testimony for the prosecution in the trial, at Albany, of JOHN I. FILKINS, charged with the robbery of the express and the attempted murder of THOMAS A. HALPINE, the messenger, on the 6th of January last, was concluded on Tuesday. Of the testimony the Albany *Journal* gives the following brief synopsis:

THOMAS A. HALPINE, the messenger and victim, was the first witness called for the people, and his testimony was substantially corroborative of what had already been published concerning the affair, refuting the testimony of GEORGE BENEDICK at the preliminary examination, which seemed to convey the idea that HALPINE, through domestic trouble, had sought this manner of ending his own life. HALPINE was subjected to the most rigid and lengthy cross-examination by Mr. N. C. MOAK, of counsel for the prisoner, but he scarcely deviated in any particular. He identified FILKINS, in the most positive manner, as the one who had entered the car, and after representing himself as an old expressman, and giving his name as "Jones," fired the shots which came so near putting an end to the earthly career of the witness. The next witness was HENRY DERMODY, whose business it is to check off the freight cars passing over the bridge. He testified to seeing some person whom he was unable to recognize clamber into the express car as the train on which the affair occurred. A dozen witnesses testified to the amounts in different money packages, which had been dispatched from the Express Company's office by that train. Rev. SAMUEL MEREDITH, presiding elder of this district; WYNANT CHANNELL, engineer of the train; EGBERT ROCKWELL, clerk for the Express Company, and THOMAS SUTHERLAND, testified in regard to assisting HALPINE from the car on its arrival at East Albany on the night of Jan. 6, and that he did not then give any description of the robber. The testimony of THOMAS BRAIDWOOD, MORRIS HEIN and MYER S. FRIEND showed that FILKINS had purchased a revolver at a pawnbroker's shop on Division-street on the afternoon previous to the affair, which he returned a few minutes later, not being able to procure cartridges to fit it, and that while in the pawn-shop FILKINS had said that he must have a pistol, as he was going West that night. ROBERT A. SCOTT testified to selling a Smith & Wesson revolver to a person answering the description of FILKINS at 4 P. M. the same afternoon, and identified the one found on the bank at the east end of the bridge by WILLIAM WHALEN, and which, when found had three chambers discharged and four loaded, as the one he had sold FILKINS. HENRY W. DWIGHT, Division Superintendent of the Express Company in this City, testified in regard to a conversation he had with FILKINS on the Sunday afternoon following the occurrence, in which the latter made contradictory statements, and finally owned up to buying a pistol for his workman, JAMES VALLIANT, on Friday afternoon. GALEN R. HITT testified in regard to FILKINS having confessed judgment in a couple of suits, which had been brought against him, his being pressed in money affairs, and his remarking on Wednesday, Jan. 4, that he would be able to settle a claim on the Saturday or Tuesday following. Testimony was also given by several witnesses in regard to the debts paid by FILKINS subsequent to the robbery, and also the amount and character of the money found upon him.

WILLIAM E. WOOD, a messenger on the Central Railroad, testified that FILKINS came into his car on its arrival in the city Wednesday evening, Jan. 4, inquiring who had charge of the express-car. LYMAN F. CHAMBERLIN also swore that he saw FILKINS at the depot on the Tuesday and Wednesday evenings preceding the robbery. W. A. G. ARTHUR, JOEL POTTER, OLIVER THOMAS and WARREN LELAND, the captors of FILKINS, testified in regard to the manner in which he acted at the time. Mr. and Mrs. WHITE and Miss VOSNBURGH, of the Osborn House, at Saratoga, identified FILKINS as the man who stopped there on the night of the 12th of January. GEO. LACY, the barber who shaved FILKINS' chin whiskers, also identified him. A large number of other witnesses were examined, but their testimony was mainly corroborative of the points we have given. After a tedious but interesting examination, extending through four days, the counsel for the people rested their case on Tuesday afternoon, and Mr. A. J. ROSENDALE delivered the opening for the defense. Twice at the commencement of the trial the counsel for the prisoner moved to quash the second, third and fifth counts in the indictment, but was each time overruled by the Court, and exceptions taken thereto. Mr. ROSENDALE in his opening, claims to be able to show that HALPINE had given an entirely different description of the criminal on the morning after the robbery; that FILKINS can satisfactorily account for the money in his possession and paid out by him; that the prisoner was not the man who fired the pistol at HALPINE; that he can establish an alibi, and that his native innocence will be made clear.

EVIDENCE OF JOHN I. FILKINS.

FILKINS was on the stand yesterday, and in the course of his direct examination said:

I know VALLIANT; he told me Christmas that he had been beaten on the corner of Canal and Swan streets; he told him I would get him a pistol; he said he ought to have one; I spoke to VALLIANT about drinking; he said he thought I doubted his honesty, and I thought he would leave; I told him I only spoke to him for his own good and on account of his mother; spoke to him on the Wednesday before the robbery about drinking, and he said he thought he would leave; he went out yet returned that night; he commenced to work the balance of the week; I finished him as usual on the Saturday night; I was in Division-street on Friday, the 6th of January; saw BRAIDWOOD and another man there; they were buying a double-barreled shotgun; I looked at it four-barreled revolver; I went from there to DEVIN & L.; inquired for a revolver; they showed me one they asked $8 for it; I offered $7 for it; he said I could get cartridges to fit it; I went to MARTY'S, but they had no cartridges; then went to FRITSCH'S; bought with the same result; from there I went to SCOTT'S; he would get me cartridges; then took the pistol back to DEVIN and got my money back; I think I said something about going West; had on gray clothes, Cardigan jacket, and Scotch cap; after I left the pistol at DEVIN'S I was not into SCOTT'S; I went from DEVIN to corner of South Hall and State; after I left the pistol in DEVIN'S did not try to get a pistol anywhere else; I went to Mr. BEETS'S in the evening; I went from there home; Mrs. STEWARD was there; we talked a few minutes when she left; after Mrs. STEWART left I think I had to take care of my horses; think I went into BOOTH'S; said around a little while, then think I went and closed the store; I was not on the Union Depot on Friday night, Jan. 6; was not in any car nor on the bridge; I did not see HALPINE or discharge any pistol at him on that night; the nearest I was to the depot was the corner of Swan and Lumber streets; I did not know HALPINE heard of the robbery at half past six o'clock the next morning; I read a part of the account, and gave the paper to VALLIANT; then opened the store; then came back and talked about the robbery; I told him my three toes were gone; my thumb was also deformed, so as to affect my action in putting a passenger off the train when he got up to his home in the month and his 14; it was in 1868; the character of my business was the making of pies, cakes and bread; my business was good; the business was brisk; took in over $60 the day before New-Year's; used to make my collections on Monday; on Saturday, Jan. 7, I received from Mr. BOOTH $61 odd; I made a collection on Monday, Jan. 9; collected between $44 and $45 on the 9th of January; the collections were in fractional currency—five-cent pieces and pennies; I had $600 in one lot on Friday, the 6th of January; I had it since the September previous; it was money I had saved from my earnings in fruit the previous Summer; I intended to keep that as a fund to speculate; I paid $150 out of it to TAYLOR & LANGSTAFFER on Saturday, 7th; paid to HALPAIN $25 on a policy; I paid the premium the day; also paid Gas Company's bill of $24 or $25 that day; I left home about four o'clock on Wednesday morning; Mr. DAVENPORT came on Tuesday night; I said to VALLIANT I had some friends; had in the Exchange Company; I told him I guessed they were all good friends; he said he heard Mr. GREENE's that I had been arrested; I went to supper; when I came home Mrs. BOOTH came to me; "Hallo, FILKINS; you have got out pretty quick for a man who was arrested;" a woman came in and said, "I thought you was arrested;" it was hallooed upstairs at the Journal office; I went home to my supper, whereupon wife and child sat crying; Mr. and Mrs. CARROLL came in; VALLIANT also came in; "he said FILKINS are you mad at me?" I told him I was not; I told him I was suspected of the robbery; he said he had heard of it; he then took his thumb and went away; I went to bed and got up at half-past two o'clock; I cut up the bread, then changed my clothes; went away about four o'clock; I don't know why I went; my wife was in bed; she was crying; I told my child to go back part of the bed was also crying; I left the house; I took the broken shoemaker's knife; the knife had not before been off the premises; I took $170 50 with me; I left; I left about $16 home; it was taken from the drawer in the kitchen; I put the money in two boxes, one a cigar-box, and the other one a box for sand; I placed them under the bed; the boxes were nailed to keep change in; it was my usual custom to put the boxes in the bed; I did not take them; I taken off in July last; have not had it taken off since; never had it trimmed; I shaved clean in July last; first my chin whiskers, then the side whiskers, then the moustache; did not have them all taken off at the same time; I went in one of the hacks at the Horse Railroad stables, and brought down to the city in a hack, and taken to the jail; did not have any opportunity to send for or consult with counsel; I was taken to the station-house; commenced; I think I was taken to the hospital on Friday morning, about 8 o'clock; Detectives HALE and BRENNAN came after me; they shackled me and told me they were going to take me to the hospital; they taken into a room where Dr. ARMENT and the District-Attorney were; in a few minutes we walked upstairs, and I was marched up alongside of HALPINE; Dr. ARMENT introduced Mr. BECKMAN to HALPINE; when they took; walked away; he asked me if I had ever seen him before; I told him I thought I had seen him in the Central Railroad yard; I then asked him if he had ever seen me before; he said, "I think you are the man who entered my car two weeks ago to rob me;" I said, "I guess you are mistaken;" he said, "I am mistaken; I am satisfied;" I then asked him how he was satisfied; Mrs. HALPINE said he was deaf; I said it was necessary I should know how he was satisfied; he said he was then away; I did not see HALPINE if I looked as I did that night; I was not identified that I was to be taken there; Dr. HAINES was there besides Dr. ARMENT, the District-Attorney, HALPINE and his wife, and HALE and BRENNAN.

The next witness was T. W. SARGENT, conductor of the train, testified that HALPINE gave a description of the robber when he was taken from the car, which he reduced to writing immediately on the train. The description does not at all agree with FILKIN's appearance.

ARGRANT testified that HALPIN told him the robber had a black mustache and thin whiskers and was a medium-sized man. His non-examination was not concluded. FILKINS testified, it only became necessary to him to turn to have five minutes before he left. He left on account of the suspicion against him. He declined to answer questions as to whether he had been in the habit of gambling on Sundays and other days, on the ground that it might tend to disgrace or criminate him.

The Hours of Labor—Letter from the Poet Whittier.

AMESBURY, 3d Mo., 6, 1871.

To the Editor of the Boston Transcript:

My attention has just been called to a report of evidence before the Legislative Labor Committee, in which, to my great surprise, my name is introduced in such a way as to imply that I am opposed to the reduction of the hours of labor. No one who knows me needs any assurance that this is an entire misapprehension of my position. With a desire to be just to all parties, my sympathies are with the working classes, and while I feel bound to receive statements from respectable persons, I am not justifiable, in the way of exaggerated statements, threats or coercion, I heartily wish to see the hours of labor reduced throughout the country, just as far as the mutual and inseparable interests of labor and capital will warrant. I do not know what the temptations of a mill-owner may be; but if an inscrutable Providence had seen fit to subject me to the trial, I hope that, with a natural and pardonable interest in the dividends, I should have regarded as a paramount importance the health and well-being of the men and women whose labor, in conjunction with my capital, produced them.

JOHN G. WHITTIER.

The Coachman Who Was to be a Gentleman—Trial of Andrus in Bridgeport.

From the Hartford Courant, March 9.

At the trial of SAMUEL F. ANDRUS in Bridgeport yesterday both Mrs. GRIDLEY and her daughter testified. They swore they never knew that the accused had been in the State Prison, but soon after Chief of Police CHAMBERLIN was called as a witness, and declared that the GRIDLEYS had called upon him twice, and he told them all about the career of SAMMY. Miss GRIDLEY swore that she never suspected ANDRUS of being a thief, until they went to Bridgeport, when, as is alleged in the present charge, he appropriated $3,000 of the money, whereupon the counsel for the defense produced the affidavit signed by her, and setting forth that ANDRUS stole $3,000 in West Hartford, the time of the theft antedating the one alleged. NETTIS was confused when the affidavit was brought out, and said she signed it because her friends told her to. From all accounts the trial was an unusually rich one, the witnesses for the prosecution contradicting themselves and making so many singular statements as to cause an uproar of Court laughter, which the jury will let as spectators. Today the accused will testify, but he has cautioned his counsel not to question him too closely about his affairs with the GRIDLEYS, as he does not, for their sake, care to make a clean expose of his relations to them.

The Town Meetings—Supervisors Elected.

The Albany *Journal*, of last evening gives the following aggregates of the returns of the town elections thus far reported, showing very gratifying results:

	Rep.	Dem.		Rep.	Dem.
Cayuga, in part	13	6	Orange	4	18
Chemung	2	9	Oneida	21	13
Columbia	7	12	Oswego	16	11
Erie, Co towns	23	22	Rensselaer	5	21
Genesee	9	4	Saratoga	14	6
Monroe	17	16	Yates	8	1
Ontario, in part	7	3			

The Funeral of Senator Lyons.

A convention of the various colored societies was held last night, in Spring-street, to devise measures to attend the funeral of ISAAC L. LYONS, (colored,) late Senator of Virginia. Fifteen different organizations were represented, and it was resolved to form in a body and go to Williamsburg to attend his funeral. Wm. R. MANSFIELD was appointed Grand Marshal of the military, and Mr. DAVID JACKSON of the civil portion of the procession.

Dod's Parliamentary Companion for 1871, the only trustworthy hand-book of the British Parliament, is now on sale at BRENTANO'S, No. 23 Union-square. It is a work of the highest authority, and gives all the information which can

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.

A sprightly performance of the always popular "Serious Family" was seen, last night, at Wallack's. This comedy is always singularly attractive. We note a change in the cast on the present occasion—the retirement of Miss MARIE LEON ESMERIQUES involving the substitution in the Widow Delmaine of Mrs. CLARA JENNINGS. The lady was kindly greeted, last night, by the audience, and discharged her task to their mutual satisfaction. This evening "Money" is to be acted for the last time; to-morrow afternoon the mutinee, "Ours" may be witnessed, and on Saturday is promised Mr. BROUGHAM's comedy of "Romance and Reality."

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.

"Saratoga" has now passed the even tenor of the way for three months at the Fifth-avenue, and, although its withdrawal has more than once been threatened, the piece still holds the boards. We observe that Miss LINDA DIETZ has lately played *Effie Remington* in place of Miss FANNY DAVENPORT. Miss DIETZ has improved the opportunity with grace and energy, and has evidently declined progress in so doing. Mr. DALY is still preparing "Jacobel" and gentlemen to be used shortly to launch Mr. BOUCICAULT's heroine upon the town; but really, he has carried "Wow" so often thus we shall believe in the withdrawal of "Saratoga" when we see it—not before. A special matinee will be offered at this house next Wednesday in aid of the Foundling Asylum.

STADT THEATRE.

It should not be forgotten that this is the last week of that admirable artist, Miss MARIE GELON, at the Stadt Theatre. A series of German plays, that has been quite unprecedented in the United States for number and variety, no less than for the talent with which they have been represented, now draws to its close. Tomorrow "Die Waheinugen" is to be given, when Miss GELON will appear as *Emmelid*, and Mr. Vollmarke *Brandeld*. On Monday there will be a "Grand Peace Festival" at this house, in honor of the cessation of hostilities between France and Germany.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.

The final performances of "G. L. Eichstaedt" are now occurring at the Olympic Theatre. Week after next, at latest, Mr. DALY's new drama of "Horizon," of which the leading part he has been written for Mr. FOX, will open. By the bravery of "Richelieu," Mr. J. H. STEPHENS and Miss AGNES ETHEL are referred to be being supplied with roles in "Horizon," the history for which Mr. HAYES is now giving the finishing touches.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.

The performance at Wood's Museum this evening is for the benefit of Mr. EDWARD EVERETT, whose engagement at this house ends with the present week. "The Dead Heart," an impressive and sensational drama, has been acted since Monday. The coming week at the Museum will be filled by representations of "Across the Atlantic," a comprehensive melodrama, in which Mr. OLIVER DOUD BYRON has alternately repelled and delighted the play-goers of many leading States.

MISS JANAUSCHEK.

Miss FANNY JANAUSCHEK has just now terminated a most successful series of performances in St. Louis. Friday, "The Wife's Trial" was acted to an audience that filled the Olympic Theatre. At the Saturday matinee "Mary Stuart" was given, and in the evening "Macbeth" was played. Eight entertainments produced, we learn, $10,000. Miss JANAUSCHEK henceforward have the support of Mr. R. BREWELL, instead of that of Mr. ROBINSON.

BROOKLYN PHILHARMONIC.

At the final rehearsal on Wednesday preceding the concert of to-morrow night, Miss CLARA LOUISE KELLOGG was the solo performer. At the concert, forty members from the ranks of the Vocal Society of New-York, under the Mendelssohn Club, will also appear. HAYDN's Twelfth Symphony, BEETHOVEN's "Faust," and Mr. [illegible]'s "Bacchalie" are also [illegible].

IN THE TOMBS.

Judge Bedford Arraigns a Lawyer for Fraudulent Practice—Disgusting Miseries of Criminal Lawyers—How They Fleece Their Victims.

The Court of General Sessions, yesterday, was the scene of an extraordinary sensation. While the jury were discussing the evidence in the case of a pork and sausage thief, a very peculiar-looking person among the four-and-twenty lawyers arose and stood waiting to catch the ear of the Court. He was slightly made, plainly dressed, and, perhaps, forty years of age. With one hand upon the table, he stood swaying to and fro in an embarrassed manner, while the other tremulously fumbled a paper. It was Mr. E. J. ANDERSON, against whose professional integrity severe aspersions have been made. He commenced to address the Court: "May it please your Honor, I have a statement here that I wish to make, which——" Judge BEDFORD, interrupting him at this point, said: "Mr. ANDERSON, this Court feared to receive statements from non-professional gentlemen at this Bar until you have fully exonerated yourself from the serious charges that have been made against your character, here and before the Grand Jury." "But, you Honor," continued ANDERSON, "this statement will explain——" "This is not the time and place for that. The Grand Jury will attend to that," again interrupted the Judge. ANDERSON bowed his head and glided from the room. Soon after the Grand Jury were ushered in the Court, and presented a bill against him for misdemeanor, charging "that he did, wilfully, unlawfully, fraudulently, and with intent to deceive, obtain money from Capt. ARESON and JOHN TINKHAM, promising to defend them, which he did not do." There are two separate indictments, one from each of the alleged defrauded men. Judge BEDFORD promptly signed a bench warrant, whereon he was arrested by Capt. MCCLOSKEY. A professional friend was called by the entrance of captor and prisoner. ANDERSON eagerly examined the indictments, and pleaded "not guilty" to both. He then asked that the amount of bail be fixed. But when Judge BEDFORD named $5,000 as the sum, the prisoner seemed less confident. He stated that he could not procure bail, and he was then committed for trial, and immediately was taken to the Tombs.

He has stated in self-defense that when he presented the sailors' orders to their Captain the latter repudiated payment, and having

PLANTING IN GEORGIA.

A Later Season than Usual—The Farmers Retrenching to Old Customs—A Small Cotton Crop Probable—Home-Raised Meat—Sheep Raising—Poverty and Dullness of Business.

From Our Own Correspondent.

FORT VALLEY, HOUSTON COUNTY, GA., Monday, Feb. 20, 1871.

The heavy rains during the past fortnight have so saturated the ground, swelled the rivers and streams and injured the roads as to interrupt completely all farming operations. The consequence is that planting this year will be later than usual. Very few have been so fortunate as to have broken up their land in the Fall, and since Christmas, what with the unperformed work of picking the cotton crop, and the difficulty in hiring laborers and inducing them, when hired, to go to work, the preparation of the soil for the crops is to a very great extent still to be done.

THE FARMERS MOVING BACKWARD.

The great discouragement—the ruinous low price of cotton—and the severe monetary depression which has followed, have tended in no small degree to make farmers abandon the improved system of agriculture, which they were generally beginning to adopt, and not only have they resolved not to use any commercial manures this year, but they have also given up the use of the subsoil plow and the careful preparation of the ground, which in 1870 contributed quite as much, in my opinion, to the abundant yield as the fertilizers which they used so liberally. It necessarily involves considerable labor, trouble and expense, and a very large increase of mule power to subsoil the corn and cotton land even partially. This labor and expense many cannot afford. Even though satisfied of its advantages, they are unable to do it. Just as a consumptive pauper, whose physician recommends him to spend the Winter in Madeira, may be satisfied that a residence in Funchal would restore his health, but he is obliged, *as necessitate rei*, to make up his mind to die in the poor-house. Then, again, others who were induced to try the fertilizers and subsoiling last year, in the belief that they would make a big crop and become rich by the sale of their cotton, have found that they made the crop, but are poor, and now attribute all the blame to the expensive fertilizers and preparation of the soil, and are determined to return to the "old way"—scratch plowing and no manure—believing that "more money is to be made at it" than in the new way. Of course, the fallacy of this reasoning is apparent, and can be exposed by any one who who will take time to think coolly; but it is not the less true that there are very many who are trying to make themselves believe that they are wise in returning to the scooter plow, and in refusing to return to the earth a single particle of the fertilizing properties of which it has been deprived by a succession of crops.

THE PROBABLE COTTON YIELD.

All this together, late season, imperfect plowing, no subsoiling and no manure, will necessarily diminish materially the acreable yield. The number of acres planted may be equal to that of last year, and the amount of labor may be the same, but the crops will be smaller and less remunerative. My observation and information confirm me in the belief that the cotton area will be from a third to a half less than that of 1870, and it is a moderate calculation that the cotton crop of Georgia, even if the season is propitious, will be at least a third less than this year. My own opinion is that the use of fertilizers and subsoil plows doubled the natural production in 1870. Curtail the area of this year, use no manure, and scratch the ground, and it is easy to see what the result must be. Here and there I find a planter who has bought good manures, and is determined to subsoil every acre he plants, but these votaries of improvement are "like angels' visits, few and far between."

HOME-RAISED MEAT.

Since the war, raising hogs enough to provide meat for the plantations has been almost entirely given up as impossible. Not one in a hundred has raised his own meat since 1865. The reason generally given was that the dishonesty of the negroes rendered it impossible to raise hogs profitably. Hired in a majority of cases for a share of the crop and to pay for their own provisions, some of them diminished their expenses by killing planters' hogs wherever found. It has been the practice of planters to allow their hogs to range in their woods and uncultivated lands, and they are seldom taken up and counted until the time comes to put them up to fatten. In this way, those who desired to steal had every opportunity to supply their larders without having any butcher's bill to pay. Now that money has become so scarce that provisions cannot be bought in the Western markets, and now that factors and commission merchants can no longer make advances even at two and a half per cent. a month, the only thing to be done is to raise meat at home, and already I find many of my acquaintances taking steps to do so. It will be an immense saving, and will cost but little trouble.

SHEEP RAISING.

I find also a growing desire in middle and northern Georgia to try sheep raising as an industry. I am sure it will be immensely profitable, both in meat and wool. There are thousands and thousands of acres of land unfit for cultivation in field crops which would give abundant pasture for sheep, and which could be thus so enriched, as in many counties in England, as to be soon as fertile land as any in the State. The attention of agriculturists has been recently drawn to this subject by eminent writers, and steps are being taken to introduce improved breeds of sheep. The merino seems the favorite.

BUSINESS WRETCHEDLY DULL.

I never remember business so dull and trade so slack as it is now. Every one is complaining. There is little or no travel. The drummers are in despair. The most artistic display of the most tempting samples produces no effect but a gruff announcement that there is no money to buy goods. The quack doctors and itinerant venders of patent panaceas, who generally find crowds of gulls who are ready to spend their last fractional shin-plaster to buy some swindling "pain-killer," guaranteed to cure cramp-colic, draw teeth, eradicate gout and remove bunions at one application, or "the money will be cheerfully refunded," are disappointed and are changing their quarters mysteriously, leaving their hotel bills and accounts for printing in a worse condition than the purchasers of their nostrums. Even a circus, with a balloon attachment and an elephant, formerly the property of the Inmum of Mosses, fails to draw. Even the musses are poor. But the most unhappy of all are the traveling agents of the much-smelling compounds called fertilizers. They are in despair. Even "extraordinary inducements" and the most philanthropic efforts have failed. The stoppers are not removed from the beautiful glass bottles of samples. Before the benevolent venders have time to remove them they are told "We don't want no goamer," in tones which do not warrant argument or remonstrance. QUONDAM.

Destructive Fire in New-Orleans—Estimated Loss, $100,000—Fewer's Statue of Washington Ruined.

New-Orleans papers say that early on Sunday morning last, fire broke out in the building of the Mechanics' and Agricultural Fair Association in that city, used for the display of machinery, and rapidly destroyed all the buildings used for the annual exhibitions. The burned buildings cost about $65,000, and consisted of the splendid octagonal structure, 80 feet 22 diameter by 80 feet in height; the two wings, each 50 feet wide by 150 in length and 22 in height, together with the building known as Department A, 100 feet long by 50 wide.

In the centre of the octagonal building stood MILAN FOWLER' much-admired statue of Washington, which, despite the most strenuous and gallant exertions of the firemen, assisted by many citizens, became a prey to the devouring element. This work of art, the property of the State, was valued at $10,000. It was carried off by BOYLES after the fall of Baton Rouge in 1862, and sent to Washington City, where it remained so within a year ago, when, at the solicitation and through the efforts of Gov. WARMOTH and Senator KELLOGG, it was returned to us. We now have no work of the great American sculptor in our State, but we are glad to say our art-appreciating people will not long be deprived of this great pleasure. The magnificent statue of FRANKLIN, contracted for by the New-Orleans Times, is now undergoing the last finishing touches under the fingers of the same distinguished artist, and toward the close of the present year will be received in our city, should no unfortunate circumstance occur.

GOV. WARMOTH was present and expressed himself disappointed by the destruction of the statue of WASHINGTON, which he had loaned to the Association for a decoration of their Fair.

THE BUILDING RECORD.

Proposed New Buildings.

The following is the list of new buildings proposed for erection in this City since the last report, and for the week ending Thursday, March 9, 1871:

BROWN-STONE FRONTS.

Fourteen first-class dwellings, south side Sixty-second-street, 20 feet east of Lexington-avenue, four stories, 17 by 60; HENRY SEGER, owner.

Twelve first-class dwellings, north side of Seventy-eighth-street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, three stories and basement, 18.8 by 50; MICHAEL MCCOMB, owner.

Four first-class dwellings, south side of Seventy-first-street, 200 feet west of Third-avenue, three stories, 16 by 68; C. SMITH, owner.

Three first-class dwellings, south side of Seventy-third-street, 264 feet west of Third-avenue, three stories, 20 by 53; C. SATTLY, owner.

Four first-class dwellings, north side of Sixty-fourth-street, 100 feet west of Third-avenue, three stories, 15 by 50; BERNARD KAVANAGH, owner.

Two first-class dwellings, north side of Fifty-seventh-street, 225 feet east of Ninth-avenue, four stories, 20 by 55; C. W. LYNZAR, owner.

Two first-class dwellings, west side of Fifty-third-street, 425 feet west of Fifth-avenue, four stories, 20 by 60; BRYAN MCKENNY, owner.

IRON STORE FRONT.

One first-class store, No. 62 Franklin-street, five stories, 25 by 100; J. W. POWERS, owner.

BRICK FRONTS.

One first-class dwelling, north side Eighty-eighth-street, 87 feet west of Avenue A, three stories, 20 by 40; EDWARD MOGG, owner.

Four second-class dwellings, west side of Eighth-avenue, 50.5 feet south of Fifty-eighth-street, two stories, 18, 17 by 40, 30, 30 by 26; WM. BENDEL, owner.

One second-class dwelling, north-west corner of Second-avenue and Sixty-third-street, three stories, 18.33 by 52; A. WOLSWORTH, owner.

One second-class dwelling, west side of Sixth-avenue, 70 feet north of One hundred and Twenty-eighth-street, 21 by 52; CHARLES BURNETT, owner.

One second-class dwelling, south side of Sixty-first-street, 85 feet west of Tenth-avenue, three stories and basement, 25 by 50.5; STEPHEN A. STOFFORD, owner.

Three tenement-houses, south side of Fifty-sixth-street, 200 feet west of Ninth-avenue, five stories, 25 by 55; JAS. GILMORE, owner.

One tenement-house, north side of One Hundred and Ninth-street, 300 feet east of Second-avenue, two stories, 24 by 50; CORNELIUS CROWN, owner.

One tenement-house, No. 73 Second-street, five stories, 25 by 52; C. GEMELER, owner.

One tenement-house, north side of Fifty-fourth-street, 175 feet east of Tenth-avenue, four stories, 25 by 50; MICHAEL DOOLEY, owner.

Four stores and tenements, south side of Fifty-fourth-street, 150 feet west of Second-avenue, five stories, 25 by 60; AMBROSE M. PARSONS, owner.

Two stores and tenements, north side of Forty-first-street, 400 feet west of Eighth-avenue, four stories, 25 by 58; HENRY J. BURCHELL, owner.

One store and tenement, north-west corner of Second-avenue and Forty-fifth-street, four stories, 25.6 by 52; HENRY SIMONS, owner.

One store and tenement, Nos. 20 and 21 Bayard-street, five stories, 52.4 by 49.5; F. FINCK, owner.

One store and tenement, No. 129 Stanton-street, five stories, 25 by 60; HAINES, WILSON & WILKES, owners.

One store and tenement, No. 102 Sheriff-street, five stories, 20 by 54; HAINES, WILSON & WILKES, owners.

One second-class store, south side First-street, five stories, 25 by 54; THOMAS MAHONEY, owner.

One factory, No. 124 Forsyth-street, one story, 25 by 12; G. LINCKS, owner.

One factory, Nos. 552, 554, 556 and 558 West Thirty-third-street, two stories, 100 by 27.6; W. G. BROWNING, owner.

One factory, No. 62 Third-avenue, (rear,) four stories, 25 by 55; OWEN MURRAY, owner.

One stable, Nos. 247, 249, 251 and 253 West Twenty-fifth-street, (rear,) two stories, 80 by 18; WM. E. MERRITT, owner.

One stable, north-west corner of Sixth-avenue and Fifty-fifth-street, two stories, 100 by 100; JACKS & IRVIN, owners.

One stable, No. 371 West Twelfth-street, (rear,) three stories, 27 by 39; HONORA MCCLERKY, owner.

One stable, north-east corner of Ninth-avenue and Forty-fifth-street, one story, 25 by 25; Mr. KRATZ, owner.

One stable, north side of Gansevoort-street, 137 feet 6 inches east of Washington-street, one story, 18.5 by 20.5; ALFRED C. HOE, owner.

FRAME BUILDING.

One stable, north side of One Hundred and Twenty-third-street, 400 feet west of Sixth-avenue; two stories, 30 by 18 feet; E. D. STEAD, owner.

RECAPITULATION.

Total number buildings	85	Second-class dwellings	7
Brown-stone fronts	41	Tenement-houses	6
Ohio-stone fronts	2	Stores and tenements	19
Iron fronts	1	First-class stores	1
Brick fronts	12	Second-class stores	1
Frame building	1	Factories	3
First-class dwellings	42	Stables	6
Apartment dwellings	9		

Another "French Flat" Projected—Description of the Proposed Building.

Among the new buildings proposed for erection in this City this season is another of those fast-becoming popular buildings, termed French Flats or apartment houses. The location of the projected structure is on the east side of Ninth-avenue, between Forty-fourth and Forty-fifth streets, and the building will cover the entire front of the block, 200 feet, with an average depth of 75 feet. The material to be used in construction is Ohio stone, and the architectural design is quite elaborate; the building, when completed, will present a highly-ornamental appearance. Unlike this class of hotels, the new structure will be composed of nine distinct houses, those on each corner being 28 feet front, and the others 22 feet each, the whole surmounted with a Mansard roof, with towers on the ends and in the centre. Four stories in height, the first will be devoted to business purposes, being divided into stores; the second and third respectively of each house into dwellings adapted for the use of one family, and entirely distinct from each other, while the fourth story will be so arranged as to accommodate the servants of the different occupants, &c. Apartments for eighteen families will thus be provided. The total estimated cost of the building is $150,000. The owner is Mr. JOHN F. BETZ, of Philadelphia, Penn., and the architect Dr. J. JARDINE, No. 1,267 Broadway.

Alterations in Buildings.

For the week ending Thursday, March 9, 1871, the following are the only plans of importance for alterations in buildings submitted at the Departments in this City. No alterations are reported where the expense incurred does not exceed the sum of $1,000:

One brick store and dwelling, No. 156 Rivington-street, two and a half stories, 22 by 40, one and a half stories to be altered; PETER GRANONT, owner.

One brick store, No. 180 William-street, four stories, 25 by 118, damaged by fire, to be repaired; estate of A. S. & D. SANDS, owners.

One frame dwelling, No. 159 East One Hundred and Twelfth-street, three stories, 22 by 32, one story to be added with Mansard roof; HUGH H. MOORE, owner.

One brick building, No. 23 East Fourteenth-street, five stories, 25 by 76, store to be made on first floor and generally remodeled for business purposes; J. F. G. FOSTER, owner.

Four brick dwellings, Nos. 215, 217, 219 and 221 West Thirtieth-street, two stories and basement, 22 by 36, one story to be added to each house; C. F. CROMWELL, owner.

One brick store and dwelling, south-east corner Broome and Allen streets, one-half story to be added; B. W. FLOYD, owner.

One brick dwelling, No. 6 Marion-street, two stories and attic, 18 by 36, one and one-half stories to be added, and store to be made in basement; PETER MONAGHAN, owner.

One brick dwelling, No. 301 East Eleventh-street, four stories, 22 by 46, one story to be added; HENRY WEBER, owner.

One frame store and dwelling, north-west corner Third-avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh-street, two stories, 20 by 36, extension in rear 15 by 18; H. MASON DISBROW, owner.

One brick dwelling, No. 423 West Twenty-fourth-street, two stories, 18 by 34, one story to be added, with Mansard roof and extension in rear; MISS GREEN, owner.

Two brick dwellings, Nos. 115 and 113 East Broadway, three and one-half stories, 22 by 23 each, one-half story to be added to each house; JOSEPH HUBER, owner.

One brick slaughter-house, north-east corner of First-avenue and Forty-third-street, three stories, 65 by 100, damaged by fire, to be repaired; DAVIS & HARRINGTON, owners.

One brick dwelling, No. 347 Greenwich-street, four stories, 23 by 40, store to be made on first floor; CHARLES VON RUPP, owner.

One brick dwelling, No. 108 Attorney-street, two and a half stories, 20 by 40, one-half story to be added; JACOB HILL, owner.

One brick store, No. 8 Burling-slip, four stories, 27 by 47, interior to be remodeled for offices; LUCIUS HART, owner.

One brick store and dwelling, No. 469 Sixth-avenue, four stories, 25 by 54, extension on first floor, (rear,) 20 by 26, and 15 feet in height; E. A. WITTRAUS, owner.

One frame dwelling, No. 269 West Twelfth-street, two stories and basement, 23 by 36, two stories to be added and extension on west side, 9 by 26, four stories in height; RORY MCCLERRY, owner.

One brick front and frame dwelling, No. 271 West Twelfth-street, two and a half stories, 22 by 23; one and a half stories to be added and extension built on rear 17 by 22, four stories in height; ROBERT MCCLERRY, owner.

One brick store and dwelling, No. 53 Stanton-street, three stories, 18.6 by 45; extension on rear 18.6 by 16, 21 feet in height; JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, owner.

One brick dwelling, No. 217 Third-avenue, four stories, 20 by 50; store to be made on first floor; Mr. KAUFMAN, owner.

Unsafe Buildings.

Since the last report and for the week ending Thursday, March 9, 1871, the following buildings in this City have been reported as unsafe, in the particulars annexed, at the office of JAMES M. MACGREGOR, Superintendent of the Department of Buildings:

Catharine-street, No. 73, JOHN P. MOORE, owner; west wall cracked and bulged.

Oak-street, No. 13, PETER A. H. JACKSON, agent; unsafe north wall and foundation, building settled.

Mercer-street, No. 168, S. BERWERES, owner; rear extension dangerously unsafe.

West Forty-fifth-street, No. 140, Mrs. MURRAY, owner; west gable wall not properly supported.

Prince-street, No. 161, Mrs. ELIZABETH WELSH, owner; west gable wall out of plumb.

Pearl-street, No. 290, ROBERT B. CAMPBELL, owner; rear extension badly cracked.

Eleventh-avenue, Nos. 851 and 853, T. M. CURNEY, owner, rear walls sprung and cracked, generally unsafe.

William-street, No. 116, R. L. STUART, owner; floor beams on first story rotted out of walls.

Avenue D, No. 9, Mrs. DORENUS, owner; front and rear walls, and foundation cracked and settled.

Burling-slip, No. 27, Codwise estate, owner; front wall sprung and bulged badly.

South-street, No. 88, Codwise estate, owner; front wall cracked and sprung, west gable and east wall bulged.

South-street, No. 89, Codwise estate, owner; rear wall settled and cracked.

Chatham-street, Nos. 94 and 96, THOMAS DONOHUE, owner; balustrade on front rotten.

Chatham-street, Nos. 102 and 104, E. JAPHA, owner, cornice on the front rotten.

Chatham-street, No. 105, NORMAN NEWMAN, owner; cornice on front rotten.

Robinson-street, Nos. 71 and 73, T. BALDWIN, Jr., agent; partition wall settled, front wall cracked, lintels broken.

Bleecker-street, No. 137, rear, DAVID BROWN, owner; walls cracked and bend broke, dangerously unsafe.

Second-avenue, building, west side, 126 feet south of south-west corner of One Hundred and Eleventh-street, NICHOLAS MOORE, owner; foundation wall settled, dangerously unsafe.

Washington-street, No. 157, CHARLES DENNISON, owner; dangerously overhanging north wall.

Washington-street, No. 159, Mrs. BUCKMAN, owner; southerly wall overhanging and dangerously unsafe.

UNSAFE CHIMNEYS.

Pike-street, No. 27, Mrs. P. Beekman, owner; Pike-street, No. 32, Bridget Ware, owner; Goldstreet, No. 44, Lager, Jones and Mounce, owners; Mott-street, No. 26, Patrick Hayes, owner; Hamilton-street, No. 35, Mrs. Nell, owner; Second-avenue, No. 26, Fred Johnson, owner; Green-street, No. 245, Columbia College, owner; West Broadway, Nos. 60 and 62, John Purcell, owner; Madison-street, No. 84, Catherine O'Neil, owner; Madison-street, No. 86, Wm. Churchill, owner; Madison-street, No. 88, Emma Lafley, owner; Macdougal and Thompson streets, known as Chatham-street, No. 66, W. R. Janeway, owner; Pearl-street, No. 467, W. R. Janeway, owner; Pearl-street, No. 453, Wm. Boyd, owner; Pearl-street, No. 469, W. R. Janeway, owner; Eleventh-avenue, building, west side, 60 feet north of Twenty-fourth-street, Peetis & Bogert, owners; Leonard-street, Nos. 24 and 26, Mrs. Brockhausen, owner; City Hall-place, No. 6, W. R. Janeway, owner; Market-street, No. 21, John Fay, owner; Market-street, No. 32, Mary H. Burness, owner; Front-street, No. 77, W. W. Todd, owner; Market-street, No. 98, T. J. McCahill, owner; Pearl-street, No. 42, Wm. Boyd, owner; Market-street, No. 26, Francis Meehan, agent; Front-street, No. 75, Moses Taylor, owner; Johnson-street, No. 5 and 34, Wm. Melville, agent; Water-street, No. 154, Walter Boune, owner.

NAVAL NEWS.

Arrival of the Corvette Ticonderoga—Correct List of Her Officers—The Californian Detained by the Fog.

The United States corvette *Ticonderoga*, third rate, ten guns, 1,019 tons, Commander OSCAR C. BADGER, arrived at this port at a late hour on Wednesday night from Boston. Her passage from that port, which she left on the 5th inst., was marked by no very noticeable event. She encountered pretty fresh weather, with considerable sea. Her behavior was excellent, and it is thought that she will maintain her old reputation of being a good sea-boat. Tolerably fast under steam and a fair sailer. The *Ticonderoga* has been thoroughly rebuilt and considerably altered since she returned from her last cruise in European waters. She is now ship-rigged, and will hereafter perform her cruising under sail.

The future destination of the ship is not positively known, but it is rumored and believed that she will relieve the gun-boat *Shoshone* as Fort Adams's flag-ship, which is said to be destined for the South Atlantic Squadron. The *Ticonderoga* will then probably remain here until the paddle-wheel dispatch steamer *Frolic* is repaired and made ready to relieve the *Ticonderoga*, and resume her old position as flag-ship of the Fort of New-York.

The following is a correct list of the officers of the *Ticonderoga*:

Commander Oscar C. Badger, commanding; Lieut.-Commander B. F. Day, Executive Officer; Lieut.-Commander E. S. Keyser, Navigator; Lieutenant, George Talcott, jr.; Masters, George C. Clay, E. Clover, C. O. Allibone; Surgeon, E. S. Matthews; Pay-master, F. H. Hinman; Chief-Engineer, Clark Bishop; First-Assistant Engineer, A. W. Robinson; Assistant Surgeon, Arthur Mackie; Second Lieutenant Marines, A. L. Watson; Midshipmen, Samuel P. Cornly, W. F. Bulkley, S. H. May; Boatswain, John Burrows; Sailmaker, George W. Gest; Carpenter, Warren Barnard; Gunner, Felix Cassidy; Captain's Clerk, Epaminas Brown; Paymaster's Clerk, H. W. H. Karcher.

The frigate *Constellation*, Capt. J. M. B. CLITZ, was prevented from sailing yesterday by the storm and fog. She will probably drop down to the Lower Bay this morning and go to sea to-morrow, Friday being the traditionally unfavorable day to begin a voyage in any part of the world. So in order to satisfy the sailors, who have their superstitious notions pretty well fixed, the good frigate will not commence her long cruise until Saturday morning, when she will doubtless go over the bar at an early hour.

COMMISSIONERS OF DOCKS.

Various Reports Presented—Permits Granted—Miscellaneous Business.

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of Docks was held yesterday, J. T. AGNEW, Esq., in the chair, and Commissioners SMITH, WOOD, HUNT and HERRT present. The recommendation of the Executive Committee to advertise for bids for the removal of a sunken dock at the foot of Ninth-street, East River, was adopted.

It was decided to be unnecessary to make any changes on the water front at the foot of Twenty-seventh-street, North River.

In response to R. B. CORNELL's communication concerning the complaints of owners of vessels that had been damaged by the sunken dock at the foot of Fifty-ninth-street, North River, it was resolved to advertise for bids for its removal. In response to Gen. MCCLELLAN's recommendation, with reference to the rebuilding of the Sunken pier, his letter was referred to the Superintendent. Applications for the removal of the manure yards, between Forty-third and Forty-fourth streets, East River, and for an addition of fifteen feet to the House of Refuge Pier, at the foot of One Hundred and Seventeenth-street, East River, so that steam-boats can land, were referred to the Executive Committee.

Superintendent WESTERVELT reported the great necessity for a new pier at the foot of Twenty-sixth-street, North River; that there is none between Twenty-second and Twenty-eighth streets, and that the expense of a first-class wharf of piles and heavy timber, 300 by 40 feet in extent—out to the pier line, would be about $14,000. The petition of W. P. BLODGETT and others to erect a new bulkhead between Sixtieth and Sixty-second streets, North River, and to erect a dumping place at Fifty-ninth-street, the same to be removed when the improvement of the waterfront, was referred to the Executive Committee.

The following were disposed of in the same manner: Reports of the dilapidated and dangerous condition of bulkheads at Forty-fifth and Forty-sixth-streets, East River; proposition of STEPHEN A. FOSTER to rebuild the westerly half of Pier No. 1, North River, within sixty days, at an expense of $7,000, if the Department will pay one half the amount; proposal of FREDERICK A. SOUTHMAYD to sell the northerly half of wharf between Franklin and North Moore streets, North River; application to drive piles and build platform fifteen feet from bulkhead of lessee's water-front, between Thirty-ninth and Fortieth streets, East River.

Permits were granted to CHAPMAN, HALL & Co., Pier No. 1 East River; M. J. STARR, on Pier No. 6 East River; H. J. DIMMOCK, on Pier No. 4 North River, to build sheds and offices on those piers. Piers at the foot of Forty-seventh, Fifty-ninth, and One Hundred and Thirty-first streets, North River, were ordered to be rebuilt. The Inspector of District No. 2, North River, was ordered to remove the shed and platform lately erected by CORNELIUS STOGUM, on Pier No. 22, foot of Barclay-street, North River. (This is the same place where a former building was demolished by a strong force of laborers and Police.) The Board then went into Executive Session.

Cooper Union Free Night Classes—Attendance During February.

The following will show the average attendance to the Free Night Classes in Cooper Union during February:

Average attendance in School of Science	276
Average attendance in School of Art	342
Average attendance in School of Telegraphy	35
Average audience to Scientific Lectures	840
Average attendance to Oratory Class	100
Total	1,589

The new classes in English literature and the French language have been attended by average audiences of 200, 100 and over respectively, making over 1,800 persons instructed during February.

The average attendance in the Female School of Design, under the direction of VICTOR MERLIO and Miss CHILDS, has been over 80 daily—that of the engraving class for women 26. The number of visitors to the Free Reading Room was 20,363, and the number of books used 4,509.

One of Berg's Officers Sued for False Imprisonment—Judgment for $1,000 Damages.

The case of JOHN BOUGH against ARCHIBALD H. CAMPBELL for false imprisonment, was yesterday tried before Judge TRACY in the Marine Court. The defendant, as one of the officers of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, arrested the plaintiff on June 30 last, for an alleged cruelty to his team at Twenty-eighth-street and Ninth-avenue, and he was locked up and imprisoned until the following morning, when he was discharged by Judge SHANDLEY. He then instituted this action in the Superior Court to recover $5,000 damages, and the case was subsequently removed into this Court. On the trial it was testified that the defendant was very officious and acted in a boisterous manner when he arrested the plaintiff; that the plaintiff was the owner of the team, and that they became frightened at a car passing and attempted to run away, and BOUGH held them back; that the wagon pinched in one foot which was infected with vermin, and he contracted a disease from it. The Sergeant of the Police Precinct testified to the arrest and imprisonment. The defense was that the plaintiff was acting cruelly in pulling and jerking his horses, and that the arrest was justifiable.

The Court awarded the plaintiff $1,000 damages. ALEX. H. REAVEY appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. JOHN G. BOYD for defendant.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Although the attendance at the Exchange yesterday (March 9) was comparatively large, the market was "flat," as but few of the sales that were expected to take place were effected. Considerable property was offered, but for some unexplained reason the bidding was spiritless, and to those owning the real estate the general results profitless. The most important sale of the day was made by S. DINGEE & Co., who at public auction disposed of two lots, with the buildings thereon, located on the East side of West Broadway, between Leonard and Franklin streets. The two lots form a plot of ground 40 by 80, and the buildings on the same comprise two three-story brick stores, each 18 by 52, with a two-story brick building on the rear of the lots, 15 by 36. The premises were sold in one parcel for $48,100, G. E. RICHARDSON being the purchaser. JAMES B. MILLER, also at public auction, sold the four-story and basement brick house (stone trimmings) and lot situate on the south side of Washington-square, (late West Fourth-street,) between Macdougal and Thompson streets, known as No. 129 (old No. 48.) The property was purchased by J. D. ANDERSON for $36,750. The only other sale effected was one in foreclosure, by order of the Supreme Court, under the direction of JOHN EARL, Esq., referee; MULLER, WILKINS & Co., auctioneers. The property sold embraced a three-story brick house and lot on the south-west corner of Eleventh and Dry Dock streets. It was bought by F. HIGGINS for $9,200—a low figure. In regard to the other prices realized, that for the Washington-square property may be termed fair, while the West Broadway premises, it was thought, sold well. No other sales were made, although opportunities to purchase were offered as follows:

By MULLER, WILKINS & Co., seven three-story and basement brick houses and lots, each 16.8 by 45 by 100.8, on the north side of East Forty-second-street, between First and Second avenues. One of these, No. 311, was nominally sold for $10,550 to JOHN HARGOOD, but no one manifesting a disposition to make further or bona fide bids, the entire lot was withdrawn. The property, it was stated, is mortgaged to the amount of $23,000, or at the rate of $9,000 upon each piece, and the lots were offered subject successively to this lien.

H. LUDLOW & Co. made an effort to dispose of a valuable four-story and basement brown-stone front house and lot, on the north side of West Twenty-fifth-street, 100 feet east of Sixth-avenue, street No. 52. For these premises bids to the amount of $80,000 were made, but as this sum did not, in the estimation of the owner, approximate to the value of the property, and no advance being offered, it was withdrawn. J. BLEECKER, Son & Co., nominally disposed of the premises known as No. 268 Elizabeth-street, (Wyoming-place,) near Bleecker-street, comprising a two-story frame house and lot, 26 by about 74 feet, to JNO. LOHERGAN for $11,000; also two full-sized lots on the south side of One Hundred and Thirty-seventh-street, between Sixth and Seventh Avenues, to W. CHURCH for $3,900 each. No title, however, passed in either instance. The Stapleton, Staten Island, lots, advertised to be sold by Messrs. BLEECKER & Co., were withdrawn. B. P. FAIRCHILD adjourned the legal sale of a house and lot on Eleventh-street, between First and Second avenues, and the business of the day at the Exchange was closed. For today the only sales advertised are of a legal character, of which there are several to take place.

At private sale HATCH & RIKER, No. 1,262 Broadway, report having recently sold a full front house and lot on Madison-avenue, 25 feet north of Thirty-eighth-street, for $50,000.

V. K. STEVENSON & SON, No. 11 Pine-street, report having sold the four-story house and lot numbered as No. 8 Rutherford-place, west side of Stuyvesant-square, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets. Lot 19.9x94, for $21,000.

Exchange Sales Thursday, March 9.

NEW-YORK.

By S. Dingee & Co.

Estate of John Bough, Esq.

4-story and 1 2-story brick buildings, and 3 lots, s. s. West Broadway, 60 ft. n. of Franklin-st., buildings respectively two 18x52 each, one 15x36, lots 20x80 each, sold in one parcel.....$48,100

By James M. Miller.

4-story and basement brick house and lot, s. s. South Washington-square, late 48-st., No. 129, old No. 48, between Macdougal and Thompson sts., house 24x50 and irregular, lot 25x100.$36,750

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2-story brick house and lot, s. w. corner 11th and Dry Dock sts., lot 21.1x76.4.....$9,200

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FRANK G. & DAVISON BROWN, NO. 100 Broadway, have for sale the following:

Fifth-av., facing the Park, four story, 22.6x55.....$60,000
5th-av., between 42d and 43d sts., 4 story, 22x55 70,000
5th-av., between 104th and 11th sts., 4 story, 25x50 60,000
5th-av., a fine corner house, four story, 25x55.....
5th-av., between 47th and 48th sts., 3 story, 21.11x55 45,000
Madison-av., a corner house, four story, 21x55.... 55,000
Madison-av., a corner house, four story, 20x50.... 54,000
Madison-av., bet. 40th and 41st sts., 4 story, 20x50 60,000
Park-av., near 86th-st., 3 story, 18x50..... 45,000
Lexington-av., bet. 26th and 27th sts., 4 story, 24.9x55 57,000
Lexington-av., bet. 53d and 54th sts., 3 story, 18.8x45 15,500
30th-st., near Park-av., four story, 16.8x50..... 23,000
23d-st., between 5th and 6th avs., 4 story, 20x55.. 37,500
51st-st., between 8th and 9th avs., 4 story, 21.2x55 40,500
51st-st., bet. Madison and 4th avs., 3 story, 22x55. 35,000
52d-st., bet. 6th-av. and Broadway, 4 story, 20x50 40,000
17th-st., Stuyvesant-square, three story, 14.8x42 25,000
21st-st., bet. 4th and Lex. avs., 3 story, 18.8x53 24,000
79th-st., bet. 4th and Lex'ton avs., 3 story, 18x45 16,000
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97th-st., between 8th and 9th avs., 4 story, 20x55. 26,000
21st-st., bet. Lex'ton and 3d avs., 3 story, 20x55. 27,000
21st-st., bet. 8th and 9th avs., E. D., 4 s., 20.10x55. 26,000
25th-st., bet. Park and Lex. avs., E. D., 4s., 19.9x50 22,500
21st-st., bet. Mad'n and 4th ave., E. D., 4 s., 22x50 22,000
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West 46th-st., brown-stone, Columbia College lease..... 23,000
West 19th-st., brick, high-stoop..... 18,000
West 20th-st., brick, high-stoop..... 18,000
West 17th-st., brown-stone, high-stoop..... 45,000
West 30th-st., brown-stone, high stoop..... 40,000
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The polls will remain open one hour.
H. KIP, Secretary.

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REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE.

Propositions for the Reorganization of the General Committee Adopted—The Points Passed Upon—How the Action is Regarded—Reception by the Chairman.

The Republican State Committee held an adjourned meeting at the Fifth-avenue Hotel yesterday afternoon, which was attended by Messrs. CORNELL, the Chairman, Opdyke, Hatch, French, Maddox, Webster, Gardner, Arthur, Sharpe, Ramsey, Hammond, Brown, Blakeslee, Jewett, Vandicarr, Cole, Crowley, Crooke, Daniels, Robertson, Laflin, Merritt, Smith, Hallgard, Martin, Merritt, Ramsey, Fisher, Field, Williams, the last-named being a member from the Thirty-first. Mr. CORNELL took his seat for the first time.

After calling the meeting to order the credentials of Mr. WILLIAMS were presented, and he was unanimously declared a member of the committee and entitled to a seat and his name ordered enrolled on the roll. The Subcommittee, through the Chairman, then submitted their report. The Committee consists of the following: Ramsey, Opdyke, Crowley, French and Vandicarr.

The report contained the following recommendations which were adopted by the vote as reported:

First—That a committee of seven reliable Republicans for each Assembly district in the City of Brooklyn be drawn, three by Hon. HORACE GREELEY on behalf of the Republican General Committee, three by Hon. WILLIAM ORTON, of the petitioners asking such reorganization, and the seventh by Messrs. GREELEY and ORTON, was adopted by 28 to 8.

Second—That Messrs. GREELEY and ORTON be a committee to prepare a constitution and to supervise the re-enrollment and reorganization of the respective Assembly district associations of the City, and of the General Committee, for the government of the same when organized. Adopted—29 to 8.

Third—No person holding office, whose election or appointment is issued, or made by any Democratic authority, shall be eligible to any office in any of the said Republican associations, or be a member of the Republican General Committee of the City of New-York. Adopted—27 to 10.

Fourth—The following was struck out on the report by a vote of 19 to 17: The constitution and bylaws so prepared, shall exclude from the rolls of the district associations all politicians.

Fifth—That no Democrat shall be enrolled as a member of any of the said Republican associations.

Among the rules of minority representation shall obtain—that is to say: Whenever there is a plurality of officers or delegates to be chosen, each member of the association shall have the option of voting once for each of the whole number to be chosen or of concentrating upon one or more of the candidates as many votes as there shall be officers or delegates to be chosen. Referred to HORACE GREELEY and WILLIAM ORTON, without action.

Seventh—As soon as the organization of the association shall have been perfected in at least fifteen Assembly districts, of which notice shall be given to the Chairman of the State Committee, he will immediately give a notice, for one week, in at least two Republican papers, of the time and place of meeting of the delegates to the General Committee, at which meeting HORACE GREELEY, or in his absence Mr. WILLIAM ORTON, shall preside until the election of permanent Chairman. Adopted—21 to 6.

Eighth—Whenever the General Committee shall have been duly organized, the functions and authority of the present Republican General Committee of the City of New-York and the several Assembly district associations, as at present organized, shall cease, and said Committee and Associations shall be disbanded, and all authority for conducting the affairs of the Republican City and County Party in the City of New-York shall be vested in the General Committee and the Assembly District Associations hereinbefore provided. Adopted—21 to 8.

Hon. Mr. LAFLIN offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the report of the Subcommittee be and the same is hereby accepted, and the recommendations are adopted as amended by the action of this Committee, and the re-enrollment and reorganization therein provided for are hereby directed to be made, and that the Executive Committee is also hereby directed and empowered to carry the same into effect at the earliest practicable moment in accordance with the recommendations of the report of said Subcommittee as amended by this Committee, and in case Hon. HORACE GREELEY or Hon. WILLIAM ORTON decline to serve, the said Committee shall fill such vacancies. Adopted—20 to 8.

The Committee then adjourned *sine die*, after having been in session nearly five hours.

The Executive Committee of the State Committee consists of the following: Cornell, Opdyke, Doty, Ramsey, Merritt, Arthur, Sharpe, Webster, Martin.

The vote on the resolution of Hon. Mr. LAFLIN was as follows, and will show generally the vote on the remaining resolutions:

YEAS—Messrs. French, Maddox, Webster, Gardner, Cornell, Opdyke, Arthur, Crooke, Crowley, Vandicarr, Sharpe, Ramsey, Hammond, Brown, Blakeslee, Laflin, Place, Jewett, Doty, Crowley, Daniels—20.

NAYS—Messrs. Smith, Mulligan, Martin, Merritt, Chatfield, Cole, Williams, Field—8.

In the evening a reception was given by Hon. A. B. CORNELL, Chairman of the Committee, at his residence, No. 14 West-Fifteenth-street. The spacious apartments were elegantly decorated, and filled during the evening by some of the most prominent among the members of the Republican Party in the City. In addition to the State Committee there were present Collector Murphy, Hon. Marshall O. Roberts, Horace Greeley, Gen. Lloyd Aspinwall, Gen. Van Alen, Postmaster Patrick, M. Jones, Hon. William Orton, Mr. George Jones, Hon. Moses H. Grinnell, Col. Burt, Gen. Hillhouse, Hon. John A. Griswold, Hon. Edwards Pierrepont, Hon. E. D. Morgan, Mr. John Hoey, Gen. Eckert, Henry Clews, Ex-Speaker Younglove, Hon. Henry Smithwood, Hon. M. H. Blatchford, Deputy Collector James Terwilliger, and T. W. James, Col. Duganne, Gen. Palmer, Collector Lambeer, Judge Palmer, Gen. Arthur, Ex-Mayor Opdyke, Ex-Surveyor Wakeman and many others.

ARSON AT SEA.

The Trial of Purdue, Meredith and Allen, Charged with Burning the Ship Robert Edwards—Conviction of Purdue—A Disagreement in the Cases of Meredith and Allen.

The trial of CHARLES PURDUE, CHARLES MEREDITH and FREDERICK C. ALLEN, for burning the American ship *Robert Edwards* on the high seas, on the 20th July last, was resumed in the United States Circuit Court, yesterday, before Judge WOODRUFF. The interest in the progress of the trial appeared unabated, and the Court was crowded during the entire day. A marked difference was observable in the conduct of the prisoners, and the air of nonchalance assumed on the first day gave place to one of extreme attention and concern.

The testimony for the Government closed with the evidence of Deputy-Marshal ALLEN, detailing the arrest of the prisoners, when Mr. R. F. RUSSELL moved for a dismissal of the charge on the grounds that the evidence did not sustain the indictment, and that the admissions of guilt were extorted under fear of punishment.

Judge WOODRUFF denied the motion, and Mr. RUSSELL proceeded to open the case for the defense. He maintained that the evidence adduced on the trial did not refute the theory of the defense that the ship had been fired by accident, and that the confessions they were induced to make were procured in an illegal manner. He asserted there was no possible motive for the commission of the offense; that the prisoners would imperil their own lives in its execution, and if guilty, though they escaped, they would be tried on an indictment the penalty of which was death. He disclaimed the idea of their guilt as contrary to reason and common sense, and argued that the only evidence worthy of any credit was that of DUNCAN, an accomplice in the alleged crime, and his testimony was not sufficient to maintain the accusation.

EDWIN B. LOCKWOOD, a seaman belonging to the ship *Robert Edwards*, was examined for the defense. He testified that on the morning after the burning of the vessel, the mate proceeded through the entire vessel, accusing each man in turn of incendiarism, and striking them indiscriminately with a rope or hand-spike; the crew were always badly treated, and the officers treated unmercifully; the mate and Captain accused PURDUE, but he denied it, and witness deposed that the prisoner cried when spoken to; when the Captain addressed him he seized him by the beard and presented a pistol at his head; PURDUE and MEREDITH were on the watch with witness when the smoke was first seen; DUNCAN had also been there.

On cross-examination by Mr. PURDUE, he said: I received no money from DUNCAN since his arrest; received about $60 from PURDUE.

JULIUS E. SPENCER, a prisoner confined in Ludlow-street Jail, was examined to prove some conversations with PURDUE, but the evidence was immaterial.

GEORGE HALL, also a prisoner at the Ludlow-street Jail, testified that he heard DUNCAN say his ship-mates were not guilty. On being asked if he was going to swear against them, he replied not, but he was going to free himself and get a position.

Witnesses in regard to character were called on behalf of the defense, and bore testimony to the previous good conduct of the prisoners.

MASON L. HILTON was called by the Government in rebutal, and pronounced EDWARD LOCKWOOD an inveterate liar.

Mr. IRA D. WARREN then summed up the evidence on behalf of the prisoners. He referred to the discrepancies contained in the statements of the witnesses with regard to their separate accounts of the burning of the ship, and argued that the only witness upon whose testimony a verdict of guilty would be justifiable was DUNCAN, the informer and confessed criminal. He pointed out the purpose of DUNCAN, who came on the stand with a rope around his neck, as evinced in his own admission to be to secure his self-protection regardless of perjury, honor and truth, and asserted that if a conviction was sustained on his evidence, there was no protection to life or law. Mr. Assistant District-Attorney DUNCAN upheld the part of the Government. He reviewed the facts in the case, the incidents connected with the burning of the vessel, the generosity of Capt. FRASE in saving the lives of the passengers after they had destroyed his property, and endangered his life, and commented upon a case of such reckless atrocity and depravity never came under the cognizance of the Court. He asked the jury for a fair and candid consideration of the case, and, if they felt doubtful in the guilt of the prisoners, nothing should deter them from marking their sense of the foulness of the crime by returning a verdict accordingly. Judge WOODRUFF then charged the jury. He dwelt with peculiar force on the fearful crime for which the prisoners were charged, to which a criminality was very properly attached, and, referring to the subject of the evidence, he commented on the testimony of an accomplice, which he said was not to be disregarded, but should be weighed by the jury, and if they should be satisfied that it was true, it was competent for them to convict upon it.

The jury retired, at 4 o'clock, and Assistant-Attorney DUNCAN, returned into Court with a verdict finding CHARLES PURDUE guilty, with a recommendation to mercy. FREDERICK ALLEN and CHAS. MEREDITH were pronounced guilty of being accessories before the fact. Judge WOODRUFF informed them that no such charge as accessories before the fact appeared in the indictment, and the jury should pronounce on the guilt or innocence of the prisoners upon the charge contained in the indictment. The jury again retired, and at 6½ o'clock notified the Court that there was no possibility of an agreement. Judge WOODRUFF stated in explanation, that it was not necessary. Each of the prisoners should have applied the match to justify them in recording a verdict of acquittal, but if they were accredited in the deed, they were principals in the eye of the law. If they were not convinced that they co-operated in the burning, they should return a verdict of acquittal.

At 6½ o'clock the jury returned into Court, and found a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation to mercy against CHAS. PURDUE, but disagreed in the cases of ALLEN and MEREDITH.

Mr. RUSSELL gave notice of an intention to move for an arrest of judgment in the case of PURDUE.

The jury was then discharged, and the Court adjourned.

THE SOLDIERS OF 1812.

The Pension Act—Who are Claimants—How to Secure Payment of Claims.

The law of Feb. 14, 1871, already published in the TIMES, granting pensions to those soldiers who served sixty days or more during the war of 1812, as well as to their widows, may need some explanation, which, together with regulations of the Pension Bureau, we give below for the information of applicants.

THE PENSION ACT.

The act grants pensions at the rate of $8 per month to all officers, enlisted and drafted men (both in the militia and volunteer forces) of the military and naval service of the United States, in the war of 1812, who served for a period of sixty days; also, to the widows of those, who have died, who were married prior to the treaty of peace (Dec. 24, 1814) which terminated that war; also, to such officers and soldiers who served less than sixty days, who have been personally named in any resolution of Congress for any specific service in that war.

CLASSIFICATION OF CLAIMS.

Under this act three classes of claims will result:

First—Of officers, soldiers and sailors who served for sixty days, who have never been pensioned for a disability incurred in the service of the United States. These will be entitled to a full pension from Feb. 14, 1871.

Second—Of officers, soldiers and sailors who served for sixty days, but who are in receipt of a pension for disability incurred in the service of the United States. These will be entitled to an increase of their pension to $8 per month from Feb. 14, 1871.

Third—Of widows of officers, soldiers and sailors who served sixty days, who were married to the soldier prior to the treaty of peace which terminated that war (Dec. 24, 1814), and who have not since married. These will be entitled to $8 per month from Feb. 14, 1871.

If the term of service was less than sixty days there is no claim for pension under this act, unless the person who served has been personally mentioned in a resolution of Congress for some specific service in said war; in which case he or his widow is entitled to the same benefits under its provisions as though he had served the full period of sixty days.

PROOF OF CLAIMS.

In order to prove claims, an honorable discharge is indispensible. The affidavits of such claimants must be verified before a Court of Record, or before some officer thereof holding its seal, and having full authority to administer and certify any oath or affirmation relating to any such pension or application.

EVIDENCE OF LOYALTY AND IDENTITY.

The claimant's loyalty and identity must be proven by two witnesses, certified by the judicial officer to be credible and respectable, who are present and witness the signature of the declarant, and certify to his loyalty and identity under oath or affirmation.

NATURE OF THE DECLARATION.

The declaration must recite the name, age and residence of the claimant; whether married or unmarried; that the term of service was the full period of sixty days, or that he was mentioned by a resolution of Congress, giving date of resolution, the place and time of enlistment and discharge, and the company, regiment, brigade and division in which he served; the places, capacity and manner of service, and his participation in or connection with any historical event of the war, are particularly desired to be mentioned.

The declaration must, in addition, contain the following oath:

Then I, [if a widow, "That neither I nor my said husband"] at no time during the late rebellion against the authority of the United States, adhered to the cause of the enemies of the Government, gave them aid or comfort, or exercised the functions of any office, under any authority, or pretended authority, in hostility to the United States, and that I will support the Constitution of the United States.

Fatal Railroad Accident.

Yesterday forenoon the 10½ A. M. train from Newark, on the New-Jersey Central Railroad, when approaching the depot at Communipaw, the pilot of the locomotive hit two laborers who were walking along the track, and who were unaware of the direction in which the train was approaching, owing to the dense fog prevailing at the time. One of the unfortunate men named JOHN DAVIS, was hurled about twenty feet from the track and instantly killed; the other, named PATRICK FARRELL, was thrown a short distance and alighted on his head, receiving dangerous if not fatal injuries. They were removed to the Ferry-house, where the surviving man was attended by a physician and soon returned to consciousness. He stated that his deceased fellow-countryman himself resided in Bergen, and were on their way to procure employment. SMITH leaves a wife and helpless family.

Seizure of a Counterfeit Manufactory in East Twenty-Fourth-Street.

Col. WHITLEY, with a posse of his men, made a descent, yesterday, upon a house located in East Twenty-fourth-street, near Third-avenue, capturing a most complete manufactory of counterfeit money. A splendid press, which, from its new appearance, had evidently been recently purchased for the purpose; a full set of steel plates for printing fractional currency of the Lincoln head issue, eight impressions at a time; the original bed pieces or plates from which the transfers were made, and the transfer roll, were found; together with several thousands of dollars of the spurious notes printed and cut, ready for distribution. This capture was the result, it appears, of the arrest of the Centre-street gang of counterfeiters, made by Col. WHITLEY last week, some of whom let fall occasional words in their conversations with the officers that led the latter to suppose a counterfeit factory was being operated by some parties not yet under arrest. The place was watched, but as no one came, it was apparent that the owners of the factory were already in custody, and the descent was made. The material captured was removed to No. 82 Bleecker-street. The plates are fine specimens of the engraver's art and the money is well executed.

The Cooper Institute Free Lectures.

The course of Saturday evening free lectures at the Cooper Institute, inaugurated last Saturday, will be continued as follows: March 11, E. W. RAYMOND, Ph. D., "The Darwinian Theory—What Is It?" March 18, JAMES B. HODGSKIN, Esq., "Work, Weather and Wealth;" March 25, THOMAS EGGLESTON, Esq., Professor of Metallurgy in Columbia College, "On the Manufacture of Iron;" April 1 and 8, Dr. C. F. CHANDLER, Professor of Chemistry in Columbia College, "On Illuminating Gas;" April 15 and 22, Prof. BENJAMIN SILLIMAN, of Yale College, "On the Atmosphere, with Reference to Respiration and Ventilation;" April 29, Prof. CHAS. DAVIES, "The Metric System, with Reference to Its Use in the United States."

The Nathan Murderer—Excitement Caused by Recent Revelations.

The announcement made yesterday morning regarding the identity of the Nathan murderer and BILLY FORRESTER, created great excitement in the City, and precipitated a number of the morbidly curious upon Superintendent KELSO, all of whom desired to see the photograph of FORRESTER. Some of these pretended to believe that they knew the suspected, and could give valuable information concerning him if their surmise was correct, but the more honest candidly admitted that they were impelled to make the request by nothing but curiosity.

Many dispatches were also received from distant points which had been reached by the circulars, and some of these were of the stereotyped character, in which pretense was made that the sender knew the whereabouts of FORRESTER at a late date, and asking what the information was worth. Generally these messages were from suspicious sources, and elicited no reply.

There was, of course, a general desire to learn all the details of the proofs against FORRESTER, and Superintendent KELSO was bedeviled during all of his business hours, by persons who insisted upon knowing all about the matter, but to all of these he made answer that he had given all the information which it is possible to furnish at this time without detriment to the case. He would not even say whether the stories which have gained general currency and belief are true or false, and was absolute in one of the most aggravating cases the interviewer has lately had to encounter. So far as reliable information is concerned, it may be said that the events of the day show the case now knows all that is to be known until the arrest of Nathan's murderer.

THE CLARK MYSTERY.

New Developments in the Case—Mrs. Miller Sent to the Tombs.

The elaborate and ingenious statement made by Mrs. Dr. MARGARET A. MILLER, on Wednesday, to our reporter, touching her connection with the case of Mrs. AGNES M. CLARK, who died from the effects of malpractice, was yesterday completely upset and shown to be a series of falsehoods based on a slender thread of fact. Mrs. WM. H. LINDSAY, of No. 218 Bleecker-street, called on the Coroner, yesterday, and stated that she had frequently employed the deceased as a dress-maker, and on one or two occasions visited her at her residence, No. 133 Clinton-place, for the purpose of having dresses fitted. On one occasion, a few days ago, she saw a woman there who appeared to have some secret understanding with Mrs. Clark. She was alone with her in another room—the laundry—for about half an hour, and subscribed this person in such a way as to lead Coroner KEENAN to believe that it was Mrs. MILLER, so he sent for the doctress and confronted her with Mrs. LINDSAY, who was almost certain the accused was the person. A dress worn by Mrs. MILLER was subsequently found at the Department, which fact induced Mrs. LINDSAY positive in her identification, so the Coroner committed Mrs. MILLER to the Tombs to await examination. The prisoner partially admitted that she had visited the deceased, but her lawyer stepped her in the midst of her confession. Being provided with suitable clothing, Mrs. MILLER proceeded to the Tombs in the care of Mr. HALEY, the messenger of the Board, and passed under the gallows-frame as she entered the female prison.

The Fog Yesterday.

There was a dense fog, with a heavy, oppressive atmosphere, yesterday morning. Navigation on the rivers and Bay was greatly impeded. The Sound steamers were greatly delayed, having been obliged to come to anchor. All the ferries were delayed. Some of the North River boats were over an hour in crossing. The Roosevelt-street ferry-boats made only one trips to Grand-street, not daring to risk crossing the Catharine and Bridge-street courses. The boats to and from Hunter's Point suspended their trips. No vessel ventured through Hell Gate until the fog was lifted. The Hoboken steamers *James Kennedy* and *Proteus* came in collision at about 9 o'clock. Very little damage was done, but the occurrence expressed the temporary panic. Early in the afternoon the sunshine drove the mists away. A cool, clear, breezy night succeeded.

Union League of America.

At a meeting of the New-York Council of the Union League of America, held last night, the following resolutions, proposed by Mr. F. J. OTTERSON, were adopted without dissent:

Whereas, The Democratic members of the New-York Legislature, in order to circumvent and render inoperative the laws of Congress providing for honest voting at Congressional elections have passed a State election from that for members of Congress and electors of President and Vice-President; and

Whereas, The people would be subjected to great loss of time and money in having two elections in one year; and

Resolved, That we suggest such amendment of the United States act as shall provide that electors of President and Vice-President and Representatives in Congress shall be voted for in the several States in the years when by the laws they are now elected, within the bounds and at the polls where the people of the State vote for State officers or legislators.

Polytechnic Branch of the American Institute.

The Polytechnic Branch of the American Institute held its regular meeting, last evening, Prof. TILLMAN in the chair. The remarks of Dr. F. FISHER upon the adaptation of steam vehicles for practical purposes on ordinary roads, occupied the first hour. An essay was then read by L. BRADLEY, M. D., upon electric clockwork for time-keeping. A double dial clock was shown in operation. A system of wires connected with the hands on the dials, and kept them in sympathetic action. It was demonstrated that if by circuit was closed every moment, and that by electric currents over wires, dials, to any number, could be operated in perfect harmony.

M. MCCRACKEN, Esq., exhibited his alternating batteries for producing a continuous strong electric current. The meeting closed at a late hour.

Arrest of a Counterfeiter in Pennsylvania.

A dispatch dated at Harrisburg, Penn., March 9, was received by Col. WHITELY, Chief of the Secret Service Bureau in this City, yesterday, announcing the capture of a notorious vender of counterfeit money, known to the Police as the "Flying Dutchman." He is a native of New-England, and has been one of the most successful experts in his "profession." He has been followed for four months by the detectives, but managed to elude them through New-York, New-Jersey and Pennsylvania. He traveled under the guise of a peddler, and his real name is MILTON BERGEN. A quantity of counterfeit money was found on his person.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

The presentation of the Gerard medals took place yesterday, at 2 P. M., at Ward School No. 10, No. 180 Wooster-street, of which Miss FRANCES A. POND is Principal. There was a large assemblage of friends and parents of the pupils. The exercises included addresses by Miss S. HYATT, Miss IDA YOUNG, and others. Dr. ORMISTON delivered an address, congratulating the trustees and teachers upon their success, after which Miss LOUISA EGBERT and Miss LIZZIE WAGNER were presented with medals. After Dr. ORMISTON's speech from Inspector JAMES W. GERARD, by whom the medals were given, Dr. ORMISTON pronounced the benediction, and the school was dismissed.

The regular monthly meeting of the New-York Athletic Club was held Wednesday evening, at their rooms and gymnasium, No. 20 St. Mark's-place, Col. WILLIAM E. VAN WYCK, the President, in the chair. Messrs. HENRY E. BURMESTER, FRANK KINNEY, and PETER A. CURTIS, were appointed a committee to purchase one hundred and eighty shells for the boat-house at One Hundred and Thirty-first-street and Third-avenue, (Harlem River), where the Club will speedily reopen the boating season. Col. W. E. Van Wyck, Messrs. John H. Steed, Peter A. Curtis, Frank Kinney, and Newton S. Briggs, are all about getting new paper shell-boats, which will swell the number of boats in the boat-house to about twenty-two. Next Wednesday evening, the 15th, an election of officers for the coming year will take place. Thursday evenings are the reception evenings of the Club, on which occasions the members exercise in the gymnasium in their handsome outfit; dumb bells and hand-lifting receiving a good deal of their attention.

Mention was made in yesterday's TIMES of the singular conduct of ROBERT HALL, who, after causing the arrest of one ELIZA EAKIN for grand larceny, accused the Police officer of collusion, and insulted Justice HOGAN, which led to his being locked up as intoxicated. Yesterday morning the Magistrate sent down stairs for HALL, in order that he might take his affidavit against the woman, when it was ascertained that HALL had disappeared. Subsequent inquiry led to the discovery that HALL had given the messenger a $10 bill to pay his fine, which was paid over to Warden SEACOM, who has the right to collect fines when a prisoner has been fully committed. Mr. SEACOM not knowing the true facts of the case, supposed it was an ordinary case of intoxication, and accordingly released him. That the foolish fellow will ever appear and make complaint against the girl is now deemed doubtful.

The First Ward has for some weeks been infested by the depredations of a gang of juvenile burglars, who managed to secure considerable property of a movable nature by forcing their way into stores and offices. On Wednesday night Roundsman WATTS and Officers SHARPE and BROWNLAW of the Twenty-seventh Precinct discovered that the gang had their head-quarters in the basement in rear of the premises No. 105 Washington-street, and they arrested CORNELIUS and DANIEL HAYES, two of the leaders, on suspicion. In the room occupied by the gang were found fifty-one lead pipes, valued at $150, which had been stolen from the store of Messrs. BORDEN & LOVELL, No. 108 Washington-street, and the Police also found a pair of oars, a trunk and some bags of clothing and other articles. Justice HOGAN held the accused for trial.

In the case of ELIZABETH BRINKLEY against HUGH LAWSON BRINKLEY, for divorce, the facts of which have already been published in full in the TIMES, Judge BARNARD has decided that the circumstances show a *prima-facie* case of the existing relation of husband and wife, and orders the payment of a counsel fee of $1,000 and $25 a week alimony, to be computed from the 20th of October, 1870. It will be remembered that the defendant claimed that plaintiff voluntarily went to live with him as his mistress, though for decency sake he represented her in hotels as his wife. There was no pretense by either party to any very solemn ceremony of matrimony, she merely asserting that she agreed to take his word on that subject, while they were together in a house of assignation in this City.

The Chamber of Commerce Committee for the Relief of the Suffering Population of France have sent to all the Bishops in the United States a copy of a letter addressed by Right Rev. Bishop POTTER, of New-York, to the Clergy and Laity in his Diocese, calling their attention to the movement for the relief of the suffering population of France, and asking their contributions in behalf of this unhappy people. The Committee express the hope that Bishop POTTER's action may not be confined to New-York alone, but that all Bishops throughout the country will bring the subject to the consideration of their respective Dioceses; and as intense misery and suffering now exist in France, and help is imperatively called for, that the response from the Churches may be in proportion to the magnitude of the work.

HORACE GREELEY delivered his lecture on "Wit" in the Canal-street Presbyterian Church, last evening, for the benefit of the church. Rev. E. MITCHEL, pastor of the church, presided and introduced the lecturer in very complimentary terms. Mr. GREELEY commenced by giving the various definitions of wit and went on to speak of it as wisdom. He then compared it with satire, epigram and irony, and explained the difference between them, and concluded by saying that wit plays an important part in the spread and advancement of civilization, culminating wrong in a pleasant and humorous way. The attendance was large and appreciative.

In the Yorkville Police Court, yesterday, JOHN S. FIGUERRA, of Thirty-sixth-street and Eleventh-avenue, charged JAMES RYAN, brother of Ex-Assemblyman RYAN, with breaking into his unoccupied store, No. 651 West Forty-second-street, on the 26th of January, and carrying off the fixtures, of the value of $500. The pictures were sold at auction by Wm. ABBOTT, and the proceeds were given to a lawyer named JOHN L. LINDSEY, for RYAN. RYAN was committed in default of $1,000 bail. LINDSEY was arrested, yesterday afternoon, and taken to Court. Justice BIXBY allowed him out on his parole to appear today and give bail to answer.

At a meeting of the School Officers of the Ninth Ward, held on Tuesday evening, the attention of the Trustees was called to an advertisement announcing a grand concert to be given by the pupils of the Ninth Ward schools. They therefore adopted a resolution directing that the principals of the grammar and primary schools, and departments, of the Ninth Ward, entertain no visitors acting as principals or agents for any exhibition, concert or entertainment. And on no account advertise in school any rehearsal or exhibition without special permission and direction from the School Trustees.

In the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, a *nolle prosequi* was entered in the case of LOUIS BEERS, charged with false pretenses. JOHN MURPHY, an ex-convict, for an attempted burglary, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment. FRANK CONNOLLY, jointly indicted with RICHARD HENING for burglary, was awarded the same sentence. Three lads named JOHN and JAMES RYAN and JOHN FLYNN, aged respectively thirteen, twelve, and nine years, charged with petty theft, were given over by Judge BEDFORD to their mothers, on condition that the latter would soundly trounce them.

JOHN KELLY, aged nineteen, a resident of Brooklyn, was arraigned before Justice HOGAN, yesterday, at the Tombs, to answer the charge of highway robbery. He and an unknown confederate assaulted WM. DUNLAY, a stranger in the City, on Wednesday night, and robbed him of a pocket-book containing a five-cent piece. KELLY was the only one arrested, and as the complainant was positive in his identification, the Magistrate held the prisoner for trial and sent DUNLAY to the House of Detention for witnesses.

The Society of Soldiers' and Sailors' formed to petition a modification of the recent act of Congress which, in its terms, is little, if anything, more than the hoisted law, met last night to receive signatures and signatures to their petition at No. 129 Spring-street. ROBERT D. WEBB was chosen President, and ALBERT E. SAUNDERS Secretary. Several new members were enrolled, and a large number of names added to the subscription.

Last evening, at 6 o'clock, Ex-Alderman THOMAS CONNOR died at his residence in Ninth-street, near First-avenue. He was born at Eyecourt, County Galway, in Ireland, in 1826, and was consequently in his forty-sixth year. He was for some time collector at Fulton Market. His Aldermanship was during the years 1868 and 1869. He leaves a wife and two children.

The Prince VON BRUNN, of Grand Bassa, Africa, held a reception last evening at the residence of Rev. HENRY HIGHLAND GARNET, D. D., Pastor of Shiloh Church. A very large number of colored people were present, and greatly enjoyed the occasion. The modest dignity and intelligence of the Prince increases his popularity with all whom he meets.

At an early hour yesterday morning LAWRENCE JOHNSON, of No. 259 Seventh-avenue, was attacked in Ninth-avenue, near Sixteenth-street, by some unknown ruffians, and received two severe stab wounds in the face near the left eye. He was cared for by the Police, but as he could give no description of his assailant, no arrests were made.

LAWRENCE FARLEY, aged forty-nine, of No. 213 East Twenty-second-street, while at work, last evening, on a sewer on Fifty-third-street and Third-avenue, was partially buried by the caving in of the earth upon him. Fortunately his injuries were only slight, although the shock may prove fatal. He was properly cared for.

FENTON MORRELL and JOHN FITTINGTON, two newsboys, each ten years old, quarreled last evening at the corner of Fourteenth-street and Avenue A, when FITTINGTON stabbed MORRELL in the back, inflicting a painful but not serious wound. FITTINGTON made his escape, and MORRELL was cared for.

A course of twenty lectures on architecture is announced to be given under the auspices of the American Institute of Architects, No. 225 Broadway. They will be delivered on Monday and Wednesday evenings, commencing on the 20th inst. Messrs. R. G. HATFIELD and F. B. WRIGHT are the lecturers.

At ten o'clock last evening, WM. LARKIGAN, aged fifteen, of No. 106 Leonard-street, while passing down Broadway, was stabbed in the back, and dangerously injured. A girl named MAGGIE MURPHY, who succeeded in making her escape. WILLIAM was cared for at the Leonard-street Police Station, and afterward taken home by his friends.

Assistant District-Attorney EMERSON, in the United States Court of yesterday, instituted suits against the Mercantile National Bank and the Broadway National Bank to recover $6,000 in each case, penalties for not making proper returns of their dividends.

About 7 o'clock, last evening, CHAS. REINHARDT, aged forty-four, was terribly burned on the face, hands and legs, by the explosion of a kerosene lamp at his residence, No. 196 Forsyth-street. He was sent to Bellevue Hospital.

The Board of Police held a meeting yesterday, at which Isaac W. RICHARDS, patrolman of the Thirteenth Precinct, was dismissed from the Department.

A secret meeting of the Board of Health was held yesterday afternoon, but it was quite brief, and no business of importance was transacted.

BROOKLYN.

At the Long Island College Hospital, during the month of February, there were 545 patients treated, of whom 267 were males and 278 females. The number of surgical cases was 216, medical 250, diseases of women 27, of children 52—total 545. Nativity—United States, 249; England and Scotland, 28; Ireland, 258; Germany, 9; Canada, 5; sundries, 5—total, 545. The number of new prescriptions put up was 798.

The members of the Board of Education are at present seriously engaged in considering the propriety of reducing the salaries of the teachers in the primary departments in the public schools. These teachers at present receive the enormous salary of $400 per annum, but the refined gentlemen of this economic Board think the work might be done for $350. Mr. BURR is understood to be the moving spirit in this rather questionable reform. A special committee has been appointed to report on the matter.

The jury in the case of JOHN NEIDLINGER against HENRY A. JONES, which has been on trial in the City Court for the last three days, disagreed yesterday afternoon and were discharged. The defendant was President of a silver mining company out in Idaho, and in that capacity it is alleged induced the plaintiff, by fraudulent representations, to invest $10,000 in the institution. To recover that amount action is brought. A new trial will be held.

There were three new cases of small-pox reported at the Health Office, yesterday. The patients were removed to the Hospital at Flatbush.

LONG ISLAND.

PAT MCKAY was yesterday tried before the Recorder of Long Island City, charged with house-breaking and threatening to kill. It seems that MCKAY broke into a house on Ferry-street, Hunter's Point, on Sunday morning about 2 o'clock, occupied by one KILLEEN, and, brandishing a large knife, threatened to kill him unless he would stand and deliver. After the prosecution presented all their testimony, KILLEEN, who made the complaint, tried to withdraw it, but the Recorder would not permit it, and held the prisoner to await the action of the Grand Jury in default of $500 bail. The explanation of the prisoner is that he was under the influence of liquor at the time, and had taken a knife from a neighboring butcher's stand for the purpose of picking his teeth.

The petition of the Flushing and Newtown Railroad Company to enter the village of Flushing, was, on Wednesday night, tabled by the unanimous vote of the Flushing trustees. The Company, in their petition, ask for the privilege of running in the centre of Bradford-avenue, occupying its entire length, from Lawrence-street to Jagger-avenue. This the Board very properly refused to allow, but were willing that the Company should occupy the block between Jackson-avenue and Prospect-street.

On Wednesday evening the residence of Mr. SMEDLEY, at Hunter's Point, was entered by thieves while he and his family were at church attending the dedicatory services of the Hunter's Point Baptist Church, and robbed of a large quantity of clothing and valuables. It is supposed the thieves gained an entrance by a basement window and then secreted themselves in some of their leisure.

During the week ending March 7, there were 32,[illegible] pounds of fish shipped from this Harbor to New-York. On Monday the first load of cod for the season came into Sag Harbor.

The house of Mr. DUNN, of Hunter's Point, was entered during his absence at the dedication and $100 and other property taken.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

The village of New-Rochelle has just lost two of her oldest citizens, JOHN G. HORTON and JAMES SHERWOOD, each at the ripe age of about eighty years.

A large number of the tax-payers of New-Rochelle are greatly excited just now by the introduction in the Legislature of a bill authorizing the widening, straightening, regrading and graveling of North-street, from Huguenot-street in the village, to a point at Upper New-Rochelle, a distance of about five miles, at an unlimited expense.

The Democrats of West Farms will hold their primary meeting on Friday evening next, and their Convention for the nomination of town officers on the following Tuesday evening. It is generally understood that Capt. F. GROTE, who has filled the office of Supervisor for three successive years, has announced his determination not to accept a nomination, and that JOHN SAVAGE, the great Tendan Head Centre, will receive the Democratic nomination for Supervisor of the town. The present Town Clerk, Mr. FERDINAND MEYER, is about to visit Europe, and therefore will not be a candidate again for the office. JAMES A. LYON is the only one yet named as a candidate for the office.

NEW-JERSEY.

JOHN MILLER, a clerk in STUCKEY's clothing-store, Newark, was yesterday arrested, charged by United States Detective NETTLESHIP with being implicated with a band of counterfeiters which has just been broken up in New-York. He was bailed by Commissioner VANDERPOOL in $5,000. MILLER has been previously arrested on a similar charge, but the evidence was not sufficient to hold him. In the present case the confession of one of the arrested counterfeiters directly implicates him.

The Board of Chosen Freeholders of Essex County held a special meeting in Newark, yesterday afternoon, to protest against the enlargement of the present lunatic asylum at Trenton, and to take such action as may influence the authorities to provide for the erection of a new institution in this end of the State. A preamble and resolutions were adopted, embodying the foregoing facts, which the Clerk was directed to submit to the Legislature, accompanied by a suitable petition.

Within a week 115 car-loads of coal have arrived in Newark over the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad. Yesterday the largest supply in any coal-yard in the city was 300 tons, which sold at $7 per ton. The Hudson Canal Company have sold several thousand tons the last two weeks, but their supply is nearly exhausted. There are now about 1,500 tons for sale in the city.

An old gentleman while in the act of getting off a train at Elizabeth, yesterday, accidentally fell between the cars and the platform, and so narrow was his escape from injury, or perhaps death, that his hat and wig were carried away by the revolving wheel.

Yesterday forenoon the body of a man was found floating in the river near the bay bridge at Elizabeth. He was dressed in black and seemed about forty years of age. The body apparently had been in the water for a good while.

STEWART M. BRANT, a detective for a long time connected with the Newark Police force, died, on Wednesday night, at St. Barnabas Hospital, Newark, from jaundice. BRANT, during the war, was connected with the Government secret service.

The pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church in Elizabeth, Rev. LEWIS R. DUNNE, has received a call from the Walnut-street Church, in Chelsea, Mass.

Rev. Dr. MEIER-SMITH, of Trinity Church, Newark, has resigned his pastorate on account of ill health, and proposes an extended tour through Europe.

Small-pox is on the increase in Elizabeth. Three new cases were reported yesterday.

ARMY AND NAVY RECORD.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—Lieut.-Commander Silas W. Terry has been detached from the Naval Academy, and ordered to the *Severn*; Ensigns Jamal Franklin and Nelson T. Houston have been detached from signal duty, and ordered to the Arctic fleet; First Lieut. Oliver Phelps, of the Seventh Infantry, has resigned.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, March 9.—American Securities opened quiet, and closed easier. Stocks opened firm. The course of Consols during the day is indicated by the following table:

	11½ A. M.	1½ P. M.	5 P. M.
Consols for money	91⅝	91⅝	91⅝
Consols for account	91